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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.

THE IMPRESSION IS beginning to gain ground that German military preparations are only destined to intimidate the Netherlands and Belgium into acceptance of her economic demands.

Nevertheless the military authorities are remaining watchful.

A few more villages have been evacuated in the Utrecht region and construction of anti-tank barriers is proceeding on all highways near the borders.

Trains are running under military control, and railroads are heavily guarded.

However the inter-urban telephone ban was lifted this morning. The population is watchful but quiet. — Havas.

AN AID US OR WAR "ULTIMATUM?"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

German's attitude to Belgium will probably be determined by trade negotiations

at present going on in Berlin, political circles believe.

Recent German military moves were probably aimed to impress Belgium and the Netherlands with the view of obtaining a change in their economic neutrality.

PRECISE CONDITIONS

Germany has been sorely affected by the Anglo-French economic blockade, and is putting forth precise conditions to Belgium.

Should they be rejected the German army would probably move immediately under the pretext of a breach of neutrality.

The alternative would be Belgium's acceptance, bringing about German "protection against the Anglo-French threat." — Havas.

GERMANY FORTIFYING ON AUSTRIAN BORDER

London, To-day.

According to a report in "The Times," the German High Command is now taking measures for strengthening the defences of Austria along the Italian frontier.

Attack on this front, were it open to the Allies, would provide the easiest route into Germany, but the step is generally interpreted as signifying the degree of the breach between the Berlin-Rome Axis powers. — Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—East and North-East winds, fresh; overcast, some drizzle or light rain, improving later.

NAZI RAID ON ROSYTH BEATEN OFF

London, To-day.

Three German bombers, apparently trying to reach the British naval base at Rosyth, in the Firth of Forth, were intercepted by R.A.F. machines near May Island yesterday.

The German planes were driven off. All the British machines returned safely.

A short time later, two other Nazi machines were in contact with British R.A.F. planes over the North Sea.

Again, after a short clash, the German machines turned tail and escaped. — Reuter.

NAZIS BEGIN POLISH NEWSPAPER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Berlin, To-day.

The German authorities have started publication of a newspaper for the Polish population called the "Warsaw News."

The first number carries a story by Goebbels, the Nazi Propaganda Minister, on the "cultural mission of the German people in the east." — Havas.

WELSH GUARDS ON MARCH IN PARIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

A battalion of the Welsh Guards, which has just arrived from Britain, marched down the Champs Elysees and the boulevards yesterday and were cheered by vast crowds.

The march had not been announced beforehand. — Havas.

STATUS OF U.S. FORCES IN CHINA

Washington, To-day. The status of the United States forces stationed in North China will not be changed by the withdrawal of some of the British forces, it is declared in State Department quarters. — Reuter. (See Page 7)

BELGIAN ARMY CONFIDENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

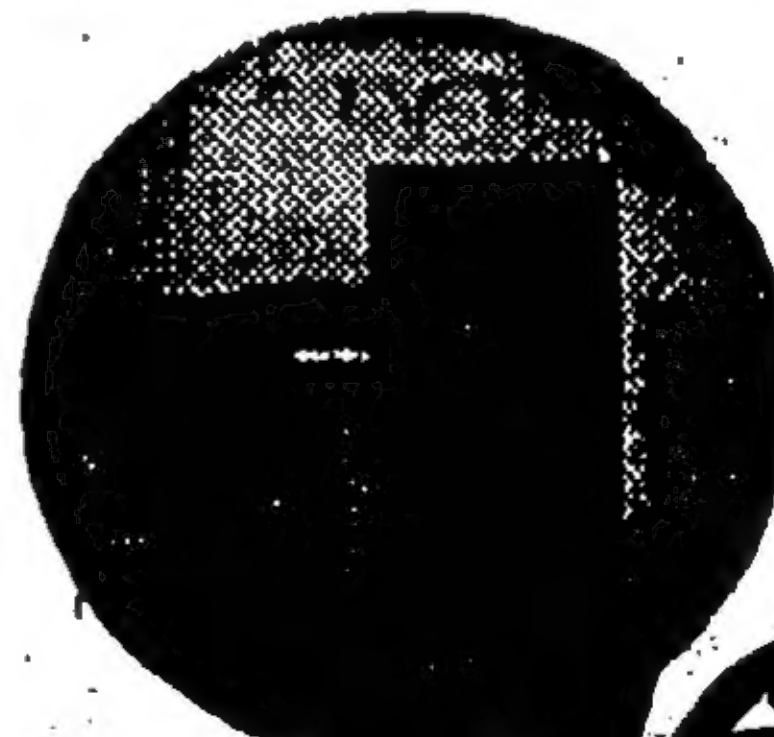
Though he made no allusion to the political situation, General Denis, Belgium's Minister of Defence, emphasised the strength and preparedness of the Belgian Army when he broadcast to the country yesterday.

"I wish," he declared, "to state my optimism and confidence."

"I am optimistic, not blindly, but because all defence measures have been taken and the whole people is behind the Army."

"We threaten no-one but will sternly defend our territory, liberty and institutions." — Havas.

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HITLER'S DENIAL OF THE LESSON OF 1918

London, To-day.

POLITICAL COMMENTATORS in Britain draw attention to Hitler's reiteration in his Munich speech to the "fact" that Germany did not suffer military defeat in 1918.

Britain and France, he said, did not defeat Germany on the battlefield; that was a lie.

It is interesting, in view of this, to recall that on September 29, 1918, at a council of high political and military officials, presided over by the Kaiser, General Ludendorff declared that the situation of the army demanded an immediate armistice.

A German Parliamentary Committee was formed after the war and sat for six years, enquiring into the causes of the war and why Germany lost.

The president of one of the sub-committees subsequently issued a report in three volumes, in which he stated that as Germany was not victorious, she was in no position to make the terms for peace. The Foreign Office was clearly warned that the military operations might fail and that there might be a need for diplomatic action.

INTERNAL WARNING

Another German military writer warns Germany that if she did not realise that the Great War was lost for purely military reasons, not on the home-front, but through the fighting forces of the Allies, who brought the German armies to ruin, Germany would be facing another fall in a short time.

After the battle of the Marne, von Moltke said that the signs of victory were the capture of prisoners and equipment of war.

Between August 8 and November 11, 1918, when the Germans were being driven right back, Britain, France, the United States and Belgium took over 365,000 German prisoners and captured almost 7,000 guns—roughly, one quarter the army and half its guns.

UNCONDITIONAL

This did not include the number of killed and wounded and the military equipment surrendered after the armistice.

The German plenipotentiary at the Armistice conference said that Hindenburg gave him power to accept any terms, even unconditional surrender.

A case for complete military vic-

200 UNSEEN FILM HEROES

Germany's first propaganda film of the fighting in Poland was shown in London recently—and it proves to be the finest propaganda for Poland.

It shows the "gallant" German attack on the Westerplatte, the "heroism" with which the invaders spent a whole week battering down the resistance of two hundred Poles.

There are shots of Germans with the profiles of film stars and the physique of Greek gods loading aeroplanes with huge bombs, of pilots gleefully plotting their objectives on maps, of squadrons taking off to smash into submission not an army not a battalion, but two hundred men.

In Danzig harbour lies a Nazi battleship, pumping shells into the beleaguered garrison as fast as the guns can be reloaded.

The Nazis have produced a film with 200 heroes, none of whom appears on the screen for a second!

Warsaw's staunch bearing in the face of air raids is also portrayed in another section of the news reel showing at the Plaza Cinema, Piccadilly-circus, W.

Children scamper for shelter as the warning sounds, but their elders are less concerned.

With only primitive protection against injury, they stand calmly gazing at the air invaders soaring overhead.

tory, political commentators point out, could hardly have been more amply proved.—Reuter.

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CHUNGKING COURT JURISDICTION CHALLENGED

THAT THE DISTRICT COURT in Chungking which granted an order for the winding up of the Company, was not a court with competent powers in international law, was one of the points made this morning before a Full Court of Appeal, composed of Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser.

The appeal was against the decision of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor, who granted a petition brought by the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, for the winding up of the Hong Kong Branch of the Ching Kee Navigation Co.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., and the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. H. J. Armstrong, of Deacons, were for the appellants, while the respondents were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellet.

Mr. Sheldon said the appeal was made on behalf of certain contributory shareholders.

JAPAN IN OCCUPATION

Mr. Sheldon read the petition submitted at the first hearing and the written judgment of Sir Atholl Macgregor and said it was agreed that during the hostilities, and at the time of the order of the Chungking Court, Japan was in occupation of China, including Chefoo, the registered office of the company.

He would submit that during the temporary occupation of territory by a hostile Power, the Court wielding jurisdiction in that territory would be the court of the conqueror and not of the dispossessed sovereign state. Military occupation suspended the court rights of the "vanquished" Power who had no jurisdiction over courts in that territory.

If that was correct, how could the Court in Chungking have power over persons or things in territory occupied by invaders.

If the Courts of China still had jurisdiction over occupied territory, Japan would be bound to allow all disputes to be settled by these courts.

NO JURISDICTION

Chefoo was in occupied territory and the court in Chungking had no jurisdiction there.

Mr. Sheldon quoted numerous authorities on international law and said that Poland, now occupied by Germany and Soviet Russia, could

if international law did not apply, set up courts in London or Paris to settle disputes in the occupied territories.

There is no law for litigation by the dispossessed state in occupied territory and no law for a selected tribunal with authority to deal with a case where the place of residence and domicile, as in the company, was wholly set in territory occupied by an invader.

International law prohibited military occupation from interfering more than was necessary with local laws, but the Court in Chungking had no right to wind up the company.

The case is proceeding.

CORRESPONDENCE

DISGUISES

Sir, — I read with amazement your report in the "Sunday Herald" yesterday, and I should be glad if you would be kind enough to publish this letter in the "China Mail" to-day.

I have never at any time made a statement to any reporter regarding my work in Egypt. I have never used any disguise whatever in my work in Egypt, it did not necessitate such disguise, and I was never engaged in any work in connection with trafficking in women and girls before I joined the Hong Kong Government.

I have frequently used the disguise of a Chinese woman in Hong Kong, particularly last year when I was making enquiries into the question of prostitution, although this is the first occasion when I have resorted to disguise when carrying out a raid.

Yours faithfully,
Phyllis Harrop,
Lady Assistant, S.C.A.

ART SHOW AT OXFORD

London, To-day.

The first Exhibition deliberately designed to help young artists who have suffered from war conditions was opened yesterday in the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford.

It has been organised jointly by the Ashmolean and the Contemporary Art Society, and contains in many ways a brilliant collection representing the work of some sixty of Britain's younger artists.—British Wireless.

GARNER TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT

SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL"

Washington, To-day.

The secretary of the Vice-President John L. Garner states that Mr. Garner will run for the Presidential election in 1940 whether President Roosevelt is a candidate or not.—Havas.

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BREAKDOWN OF TALKS

Finnish Delegates Likely To Leave Moscow

UNABLE TO MAKE ANY FURTHER CONCESSIONS

Helsinki, To-day.

M. ERKKO, THE FOREIGN Minister of Finland, revealed in an interview given to foreign journalists yesterday, that the negotiations with Moscow have broken down, and that the Finnish delegation is returning to Helsinki.

He said, that the return of the delegation did not mean that negotiations were completely broken off. Further consultations would take place in Helsinki.

Nevertheless, M. Erkkö said, Finland can make no more concessions.

"We have gone as far as we can to meet the Soviet's demand for strengthening her control of the northern entrance to the Gulf of Finland."

He declared that the Soviet's demands were equivalent to an invitation to Britain to surrender the Isle of Wight, or of the United States to give up Sandy Hook.

The Finnish delegation, he declared, was unable to accept responsibility for the breakdown.—Reuter.

THREATENING SOVIET LANGUAGE

Moscow, To-day.

"Pravda," commenting on the latest developments in the negotiations with Finland, declares that the Soviet Government is prepared to overcome all obstacles to secure its demands.

The alleged increase of Finland's military force near the Soviet border from three to seven divisions is made the subject of hostile comment, and the suggestion is made that the United States and Britain are responsible for the incitement of Finland to resist the demands of Moscow.—Reuter.

THIS MORNING'S CABLES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Helsinki, To-day.

Following the receipt of fresh information from Moscow, Finland's leaders take a serious view of the future of relations with Russia.

Well-informed circles state that M. Stalin made it perfectly clear to the Finnish delegation that the Soviet would never abandon her claims for a naval base off Finland's mainland thereby rejecting the suggested counter-proposals whereby Russia would receive only the strategic Utö Island while the integrity of Finland's mainland would be preserved.

It is understood that the Russians are now preparing new proposals which they are forwarding to the Finns in the near future.—Havas.

ERKKO PROMISES AN INTERVIEW

Helsinki, To-day.

It was announced yesterday morning that M. Erkkö, the Finnish delegate to Moscow, would receive foreign press representatives in the afternoon.

It was assumed that at this interview he would reply to Russian accusations that Finland was adopting an intransigent attitude and that she had more than doubled her troops on the border.

On Saturday night, M. Erkkö pointed out that Finland had agreed in principle to some two-thirds of the Soviet proposals.

A Foreign Office statement the same evening stated that the Soviet Government had proposed talks and then submitted proposals which Finland considered threatened her neutrality. Finland, far from showing a recalcitrant attitude, had made considerable concessions regarding the Karelian frontier, while her troop movements were only to preserve her neutrality.—Reuter.

NO FURTHER CONCESSIONS

Helsinki, To-day.

M. Erkkö, the Foreign Minister, told foreign journalists that

ROYALIST CLAIM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

German monarchists prepared the Munich explosion, Dr. Kurt Witttherm, alleged leader of the "German Freedom Party," declares in a sensational interview with the "Sunday Chronicle."—Havas.

the Finnish Government is unlikely to make further concessions to the Soviet demands.

While sympathising with the Soviet desire to strengthen their defences in the Leningrad district they must first consider the safety of their own country.—Reuter.

MOSCOW THREATENING

Moscow, To-day.

The Moscow Press is adopting a threatening tone towards Finland.

The newspapers say that the Finnish leaders are playing a dangerous game in not yielding to the Soviet's minimum demands.

They declare that the Soviet will find ways and means of getting what is necessary from Finland for the defence of Leningrad.—Reuter.

FRIENDLY BUT ILLEGAL

An earth-coolie, Wu Tai, was fined \$10 by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for conveying a cigarette to a prisoner, Kong Chiu-sing, at Stanley Prison.

Defendant was working in a trench near the prisoner, and threw a cigarette to him.

TRIBUNAL CASE

Robert Archibald Boyd appeared before Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, charged with failing to appear before the Tribunal on August 26.

Defendant said he was sick at the time.

The case was adjourned.

BEHEADING OF PRINCE RUMOURED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Dr. Kurt Wittheim told the "Sunday Chronicle," in his interview that the conspirators intended to set up a Directorate under Field-Marshal Goering, while Prince August Wilhelm, the fourth son of the Kaiser, and the only Nazi member of the former reigning family, was to be placed on the throne.

It is now being rumoured that Prince August Wilhelm has been beheaded.—Havas.

RACECOURSE THEFT

Lam Ngau-fu, 21, was bound over by Mr. R. A. D. Forrest this morning, for the theft of a blue blazer and a felt hat from Lieut. E. A. Shaw, of H.M.S. Birmingham, at the Race Course on Saturday.

Sub-Inspector Clarke said defendant took the articles while Lieut. Shaw was playing hockey.

BISHOP'S WIFE'S NO TO A.R.P. PAY

The wife of the Bishop of Blackburn, the Hon. Mrs. Herbert, is returning the £2 a week she is paid as an A.R.P. ambulance driver to the Borough Treasurer.

This was her reply to allegations made at a meeting of the Lancashire and Cheshire Council of the Labour Party at Manchester.

She said she volunteered last September. At the outbreak of war she was told to report for ambulance work and had not the slightest idea there was pay for it.

J. T. Reeve (78-13-36) qualified for the Adamson Cup—November qualifying round—at R.H.K.G.C. course at Happy Valley.

Other scores T. J. Price 74-9-65
Lt.-Col. Matthews 78-12-66
W. Ahern 77-9-68

There were 12 entries.

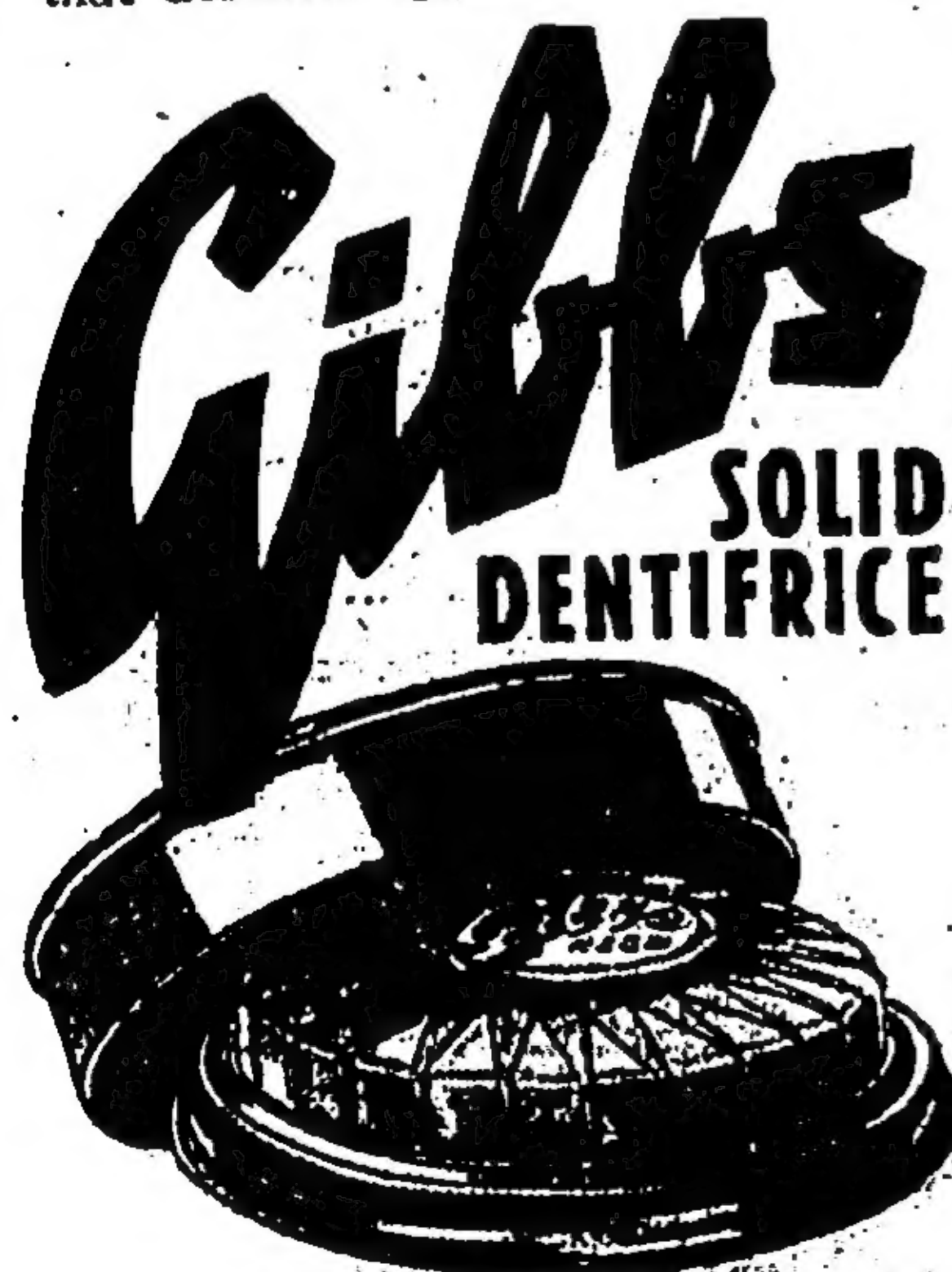


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HUNDREDS OF ARRESTS BY GESTAPO FOLLOW MUNICH BOMB EXPLOSION

London, To-day.

NEUTRAL SOURCES report "hundreds of arrests by the Gestapo" in connection with the Munich bombing. The people have been warned not to talk about them and are frightened to even discuss the bombing.

The Nazi press continues to try and put the blame on Britain, and, in the absence of facts, tries to bolster up this case with quotations from the speeches of Mr. Chamberlain and other statesmen who have expressed a dislike of the Nazi regime.

At the same time, they try to put the best face on the bombing by saying that, after all, it was really to Germany's advantage!

That neutrals are not in the slightest convinced by German attempts to blame Britain for the Munich bombing is shown by the most outspoken comment of the Norwegian newspaper "Morgenbladet."

ABSURD SUGGESTION

The paper says that if normal considerations guided the German press, the suggestion that British terrorists could penetrate Germany's thousands of lines, find their way into Munich and set up their bomb at the exact spot where Hitler was going to speak would at once be absurd.

If that had actually been the case, Germany would have nothing else to do with its secret police, the most numerous in the world, but to sack it. Himmler, head of the Gestapo, would be put on the scrap heap.—Reuter.

MISTAKES MUST NOT BE REPEATED

OTTAWA, TO-DAY.

IN A BROADCAST SPEECH IN ENGLISH AND FRENCH IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL REMEMBRANCE DAY, LORD TWEEDSMUIR, GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA, SAID THAT WHEN THE WAR HAS BEEN WON, IT MUST BE A PERMANENT SETTLEMENT; THE MISTAKES OF THE LAST WAR MUST NOT BE REPEATED.

We know now, he said, that the peace we made 21 years ago was not a true peace, that the settlement we then attempted was not a wise one.

This time, there must be no mistake. We have the cause of liberty, democracy and human brotherhood with us, and a stable regime must arise from the chaos of this war.—Reuter.

Mrs. Chandler, of No. 24, Ashley Road, Kowloon, has reported that between October 21 and yesterday, some one stole a jewellery box from her bedroom. The box contained jewellery to the value of \$40.

High Blood Pressure Kills Men & Women

Twice as many women as men suffer from High Blood Pressure, which is a mysterious disease that starts about the time of Change of Life and is the real cause of much heart trouble and later on of paralytic strokes. Common symptoms of High Blood Pressure are: Nervousness, headaches at top and back of head and above eyes, pressure in head, dizziness, short breath, pains in heart, palpitation, poor sleep, loss of memory and energy, easily excited, fear and worry. If you suffer from any of these symptoms, don't delay treatment a single day, because your life may be in danger. Hynox, a new medical discovery, reduces High Blood Pressure with the first dose, takes a heavy load off the heart, and makes you feel years younger in a few days. Get Hynox from your chemist today. It is guaranteed to make you feel fit and strong or money back.

DRASTIC NAZI RATIONING

Details of the food rations at present in force in Germany have been obtained from a Swedish source. The following is the weekly ration for each person:

Bread, 5 1-4 lb. Extra ration for manual labourers.
Butter or butter fat, 3 1-5oz. Bacon, lard, or margarine, 8.9oz. Manual labourer, 1lb. 5oz.
Cheese, 2.8oz. Milk, 2.5 pints. For a child under six, 8.6 pints. Expectant mother, 6.2 pints.
Meat, with bones, 1lb. 8.7oz. Manual labourer, 2lb. 10oz.
Sugar, 10oz. Jam or marmalade, 3.9oz. Cereals, barley, rice, tapioca or similar, 5.3oz.
Coffee, 0.7oz. Coffee substitute, 1.3oz.

The allowances per person for four weeks for certain other commodities are:

Tea, 0.7oz. Liquid soap, 4.5oz. Soap powder, 8.9oz. Coal, 1cwt. 21lb. Sugar cards must be given up for jam, and milk cards are issued only for children, young mothers and workers in special occupations.

Fish, although not rationed, is scarce, and supplies are limited to 1lb. per person.

Potatoes and vegetables are not yet rationed.

Travellers from Germany state that it is impossible to get the food allotted them by ration cards, and that the food situation is bad.

LASCAR CREW OF 60 ARRESTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL").

LONDON, TO-DAY:

AN OFFICIAL EXPLANATION HAS BEEN GIVEN OF THE ARREST YESTERDAY OF THE ENTIRE CREW OF AN UNNAMED LINER LYING AT TILBURY DOCK.

It appears that the crew, consisting exclusively of Lascars, refused to man the ship on the pretext that the owners of the vessel had refused to increase their wages on a war risk basis.

It is learned that six Lascars are to be charged under the Merchant Shipping Act.—Havas.

A fatal accident occurred on board the s.s. Macao this morning when a coolie missed his footing and fell into one of the holds. Life was extinct when rescuers reached the body.

MUNICH BOMB

THREE LINES OF INQUIRY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Copenhagen, To-day.

The Danish newspaper "Politiken" reports from Berlin that three separate commissions will be entrusted with the inquiry into the Munich beer cellar outrage.

The first will be among Jews, the second among monarchists and the third among former communists.

The paper added that for several months past, the police have been closely watching the Bavarian monarchists, since the Bavarian Crown Prince, who has never been viewed with favour by the Nazis, was compelled to leave his Bavarian castle.

Unprecedented police raids, the largest since the Nazi revolutions, have been carried out in Berlin and all Germans above the age of 15 are now compelled to carry passports.—Havas.

SUN YAT SEN BIRTHDAY

Shanghai, To-day.

The anniversary of the birthday of the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen, was observed here yesterday. Chinese national flags were flown over all Chinese residences, and in the French Concession posters with slogans supporting the Chungking Government were plastered on walls.

Posters supporting Wang Ching-wei were seen on walls in the streets in Western Shanghai.—Our Own Correspondent.

CAUSE OF A BETTER PEACE

Washington, To-day. President Roosevelt gave a short address on his return from laying a wreath on the grave of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery.

He spoke of a better peace to come, a peace which would cause men to lay down the weapons of hatred.—Reuter.

U-BOAT PAYS FOR ATTACK ON CONVOY

Copenhagen, To-day.

The crew of a Norwegian ship which arrived at Hauge-sund yesterday describe the frustration of a U-boat attack on a British convoy.

As the U-boat was preparing to attack the cargo ships, two warships swung over and dropped depth charges.

The U-boat appeared twice with her bows in the air before disappearing.—Reuter.

WAVE OF UNREST IN GERMANY

London, To-day.

News from Germany reveals that the Munich explosion has caused a wave of unrest all over the country.

The Nazi press still accuses Britain of trying to kill Hitler, and in an effort to prove this contention, refers to history.

Nazi editorials talk of the "British habit of murder," and go back to Henry IV in an endeavour to convince their readers of this fact.—Reuter.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



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Britain Doesn't Fight With Blood-Curdling Threats

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL BROADCASTS: HUNGRY NAZI LOOK AT NEUTRALS

London, To-day.

"WE TAKE BLOODCURDLING threats as a sign of our foes' weakness," exclaimed Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, in a broadcast last night.

Mr. Churchill said: "We don't make threats in war-time. If we have ideas of an offensive character we should not talk about them but try them in action."

"We do not under-rate the power and malignity of our enemies. We are prepared to endure tribulation, but we were prepared for that ten weeks ago."

"We are far stronger than we were ten weeks ago and far better prepared to endure the worst malice of Hitler and his Huns."

"Our Navy is stronger, our anti-U-boat forces three times more numerous, our air force is much stronger, and our army is growing and improving in training every day. Time is on our side."

HUNGRY LOOK

"A long procession of important events has moved in our favour since the beginning of war, affecting German relations with Italy and Japan, and what happened in Turkey and Russia, so now the boastful and bullying Nazis are looking hungrily for some small country in the west to trample down and loot."

Mr. Churchill would not prophesy whether the frenzy of a cornered maniac will drive Hitler into the worst of all his crimes, "but the fate of Holland and Belgium, like Poland, Czechoslovakia and Austria, will be decided by the victory of the British Empire and France."

THE PREMIER

"If we are conquered all will be enslaved, and the United States will be left single-handed to guard the rights of man."

"If we are not destroyed, all these countries will be restored to life."

Mr. Churchill declared he had not always agreed with Mr. Chamberlain, although they were always personal friends, "but Mr. Chamberlain is a man of very tough fibre and is going to fight as obstinately for victory as he did for peace."

SOMBRE FACT

"Either all that Britain and France stand for in the modern world will go down or the Nazi regime and the recurring German or Prussian menace to Europe will be broken and destroyed, and everybody had better make up their minds to that solid, sombre fact."

"The Nazis exude through the neutral States, inside information of the frightful vengeance they are going to wreak upon us, and also bawl it around the world by their leather-lunged propaganda machine."

"If words could kill we would be dead already."

"Nobody in the British island supposed this was going to be a short easy war."

BRITISH RESOLUTION

"Nothing has impressed me more than the calm, steady and business-like resolution with which the masses

of ordinary people faced what they imagined would be the fearful storm about to fall upon them and their families, and they braced themselves for the ordeal."

To the list of improvements in our position in the past ten weeks Mr. Churchill said that the attacks of U-boats had been controlled, and they paid a heavy toll.

Nearly all German ocean-going ships were rusting while our world-wide trade proceeds in 4,000 vessels, of which 2,500 were constantly at sea.

The superior quality of our air force over the enemy had been proved by both pilots and machines.

Our aircraft had shot down 15 German overseas raiders without losing one machine in combat.

"We have a marked advantage in the higher range of science applied to war, and this is improving weekly."

PASSING WINTER

"If we pass the winter without a large and important event we shall have gained the first campaign in the war, and will be able to set about the task in the Spring far stronger than before, and Germany will be falling back in oil and other war essentials."

"If violent and dire events open we shall meet them resolutely. Nazi Germany, barred from the east, turns a fierce but rather prudent glare upon the ancient, civilised and unoffending Dutch and Belgians."

"They have not chosen to molest the British Fleet and they recoil from the steel front along the Maginot Line, but their conscripts crowd the frontiers of Holland and Belgium, to both of whom they have given solemn guarantees, but as nobody believes Hitler we must regard the situation there as grave."

EVIL MAN

Mr. Churchill said he had lived through the early months of the last German war in the same position as now, and was therefore very careful not to say anything of an over-confident or unduly sanguine nature, but he had the conviction that "that evil man over there and his cluster of confederates are not sure of themselves, as we are sure of ourselves."

"They are harassed in their guilty souls by the fear of ever approaching retribution for their crimes."

"As they look from the blatant panoplied gathering of Nazi Germany they cannot find a single friendly eye."

FLINTY STARE

"Russia returns a flinty stare; Italy averts her gaze; Japan is puzzled and thinks herself betrayed; Turkey and the whole of Islam have ranged

themselves instinctively and decisively on the side of progress."

"Hundreds of millions in India and China would regard with undisguised dread a Nazi triumph, well knowing what their fate would be."

"America makes no secret of her sympathies."

"Even in Germany millions stand aloof from the seething mass of criminality and corruption of the Nazi machine."

"Let them take courage amid their perplexities and perils, for it may be that the final extinction of this baleful domination will pave the way to a broader solidarity of all men in all lands than we could ever have planned if we had not marched together through the fire."

WISE POLICY

Mr. Churchill, listing the important events which had moved in our favour since the beginning of the war, said Italy had adopted a wise policy of peace; and no quarrel had developed between us and Japan.

"These two great Powers, which joined Germany in the Anti-Comintern Pact, find difficulty in accommodating themselves to the change in front towards Bolshevism, which Hitler and his bad adviser, Ribbentrop, those marvellous twin contortionists, perpetrated." — Reuter.

HEAVY HANDICAP

Mr. Churchill said the power of the Empire and the French Republic to restore the life of Poland and Czechoslovakia was growing every day.

The Parliamentary countries, aiming at individual freedom and abundance, start with a heavy handicap against a Dictatorship whose sole aim has been a war preparation and creation of a military machine.

Britain and France had tried in many ways to prevent war and for the sake of peace had let many things happen which ought not to have happened. Now that war was forced on Britain she would persevere in making war until the other side had had enough of it.

CONQUER OR PERISH

"No-one can underrate the importance of the treaty between Britain, France and Turkey."

"The Soviet Government, embodied in the formidable figure of Stalin, has barred off once and for ever all Nazi dreams of advance in the east."

"The left paw of the bear bars Germany from the Black Sea, and the right paw disputes with her the control of the Baltic."

"Whatever history may record about these events the fact which we have to reckon with is perfectly plain. Nazi Germany is barred off from the east and has to conquer the British Empire and the French Republic or perish in the attempt." — British Wireless.

H.K. RADIO REVIEW

Hong Kong's "Radio Review," covering the activities of ZBW, has now made its appearance on the book-stalls.

Priced at 10 cents, the review aims also to interest a wider public by a survey of the news of the world from week to week.

R.A.F. PILOT OVER BERLIN

London, To-day.

Discussing a recent flight over Germany, an R.A.F. pilot says that it was mostly blind flying, but the navigation was so accurate that when his plane swooped down, they were right over Berlin.

As the plane dived, search-lights picked it up and the machine was "plastered" by every gun that the Germans could bring to bear.

The aim was poor or shaken, however, as not one shot went home. — Reuter.

MINISTERS IN FRONT'S SEA OF MUD

SOMEWHERE IN FRANCE, TO-DAY.

THE FIVE DOMINIONS MINISTERS, AT PRESENT VISITING THE BRITISH FORCES IN FRANCE, WERE YESTERDAY TAKEN RIGHT UP TO THE FRONT LINE, WADING THROUGH A SEA OF MUD.

They were shown the preparations consisting of trenches, tank traps, concrete blockhouses and gunpits.

Under the guidance of the Duke of Gloucester, accompanied by Mr. Anthony Eden (Dominions Secretary), they visited General Sir John Dill and General A. F. Brooke, commanding the First and Second Corps, respectively, and thereafter paid a courtesy visit to the neighbouring French command. — Reuter.

HUPEH LOAN FOR FARMERS

Chungking, To-day.

The Hupeh provincial government has obtained from the Farmers Bank of China a loan of \$1,000,000 for the relief of farmers in ten counties in north Hupeh.

Farmers' industrial co-operative societies will be granted loans from the relief fund.

Such relief loans will be payable within three years and will bear interest at 5 per cent. a year. — Reuter.

R.A.F. CASUALTIES

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces the following casualties "on various dates" in action:—

Killed, two; previously reported missing, now reported killed, two; previously reported missing, now reported missing believed killed, four; previously reported missing, now reported prisoner of war, four. On active service: killed, nine; died, eight; missing, five. — British Wireless.

MR. K. I. IP HURT

Mr. K. I. Ip riding Mac's Adventure, met with a nasty accident while riding in the Macao Races yesterday. He was thrown on to his face and sustained a nasty gash over the eye.

BRITAIN'S NORTH CHINA DECISION

London, To-day.

The War Office announces that it has been decided for reasons of military convenience arising from the conflict in Europe to maintain in North China only effectives necessary to protect property and maintain order.

The decision has been notified to the various governments who equally maintain garrisons in China under the 1901 Protocol.—Reuter.

CONTRADICTIONS IN THE POLICY OF JAPAN: VIGOROUS CHIANG KAI-SHEK SPEECH

Chungking, To-day.

"AS THE SINO-JAPANESE war goes on, the inherent contradiction in Japan's national policy is becoming more and more evident," declared General Chiang Kai-shek in addressing the sixth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang yesterday.

The session opened at 9 a.m. when the Generalissimo reviewed the last nine months of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

He assured party leaders that Japan's offensive in the military, political and economic fields, in "her desperate attempt to conquer China, is every day becoming more, doomed to failure."

After his recent personal inspection tour of the front, the Generalissimo continued, he was convinced that "ultimate victory for the Chinese is becoming increasingly assured."

As the war goes on, he said, the inherent contradiction in Japan's national policy is becoming more and more evident from the recent reshuffling of her Cabinet and her intention to take the greatest possible advantage of the European war by keeping out of it was made clear.

JAPAN'S AIMS

Japan's first immediate object was to establish the so-called new central government under Wang Ching-wei (deposed deputy Executive of the Kuomintang); her second goal was to reconcile third Powers.

In order to justify before her people the stupendous expenditure in men and materials in China, Japan might eventually put up a third puppet regime.

That, however, would not contribute towards a solution of the controversy between China and Japan.

CHINA'S QUAGMIRE

On the contrary, it would only complicate the existing situation and would sink her deeper into China's quagmire.

In fact, if the bogus governments of Peiping and Nanking had so far failed to relieve the unprecedented strain under which she was labouring, how could a third puppet regime do better?

If she herself had not subdued China with her superior military force in two years and four months of war, how could any political trick induce China to submission in the future?

BLACKMAILING

"Nor will Japan's attempt to reconcile third Powers prove successful under present circumstances.

"She may temporarily call off her vehement campaign against Britain and France, but her constant blackmailing of them will not be misunderstood.

"Admiral Nomura indeed has been courting America's favour but as long as Japan is bent on murdering the Nine-Power Treaty and the principle of the open door, the American government and people will not be deceived by sugar-coated words.

"For the time being Japan, of course, desires Soviet Russia's friendship.

A PARADOX

"If she is sincere, however, why is she compelling Wang Ching-wei to sign the Anti-Comintern Pact and designate North China and Inner Mongolia as special areas under her influence?

"Even to-day, while hoping for closer relations with Germany, she is nevertheless urging Germany to prosecute the Anti-Comintern Pact, a task which the Berlin government can no longer undertake.

JAPANESE GESTURES

"To put the whole thing in a nutshell, Japan's friendly gestures, and her pledge of neutrality regarding the European war, are all as deceptive as her encroachment on the vital interests of the Western nations in China, attempting to weaken their positions in the world and facilitating her fixed scheme of world conquest.

"Indeed, it is fortunate for us that the European conflict broke out only last September and not two years ago.

"Now that Japan is so exhausted and tied down to her grim fate in China, she can never harass the world any more.

WILL NOT BE DUPED

"Furthermore, China, after two years of war experience, is not caught unprepared both physically and psychologically."

Referring to the third Powers, General Chiang said: "I am confident that the Powers friendly to us, in the interest of all concerned, will not be duped by Japan into sponsoring either directly or indirectly her cause of aggression.

CHINA'S POLICY

"Since the Mukden Incident our foreign policy has been based on four points:—

"Firstly, to resist aggression and to protect our territorial and administrative integrity.

"Secondly, to uphold the validity of international conventions, and especially that of the Nine-Power Pact and the League Covenant against war.

"Thirdly, to refuse adhesion to any anti-Communist pact, and

"Fourthly, to maintain absolute independence in diplomacy.

"The final fixed aim in all our efforts is to secure national emancipation and equality.

CAUSE OF WORLD

"After two years and four months of determined struggle we believe all the more that our cause is also the cause of the world and humanity, and that Japan has proved herself to be a menace not only in the Far East but also in the whole world.

"Though the foreign policy of every country is governed mainly by its own interests, we trust nevertheless that no nation will be induced to forfeit its permanent interests through a temporary rapprochement with the common enemy.

JAPAN ON THE WHEEL

"Events have proved that every mistake Japan makes leads her to a fresh defeat and drags her into a further mistake and thus to a greater defeat.

HE SAYS BRITAIN WILL WIN IN AIR

"The war will be won or lost in the air, and judging by the material we are asked to train, it will be won by Great Britain," declared Air Commodore A. C. Critchley, the well-known sportsman.

Air Commodore Critchley is in charge of preliminary training in the R.A.F. He told Press representatives in a tour of an initial training centre "somewhere on the coast" that he was engaged in similar work during the last war.

"The type of youngster we are asked to train now is 50 per cent. better than those we were asked to handle in the last war," he said.

"Britain will win this war hands down by virtue of the young material which is coming forward now. We have the finest material to train that one could possibly find."

When he was asked how many airman could be turned out, he said:—

"We could produce a minimum of 3,000 pilots a month." "How long can you keep up that rate?" he was asked, and his reply was, "Till the end of any war that the enemy could fight."

He added that there was a large number of Australians, Canadians, New Zealanders and South Africans in the Air Force, and he added, "If we opened the floodgates to-morrow we should have 3,000 wishing to enter. Judging by the last war, they make the finest pilots in the world."

Talking films play a big part in training routine. Subjects of these films include theory of flight, meteorology, wireless, fog almanacship, gunnery, deck landings and recognition of enemy aircraft.

Recreation is another important part of the course and there are all types of games.

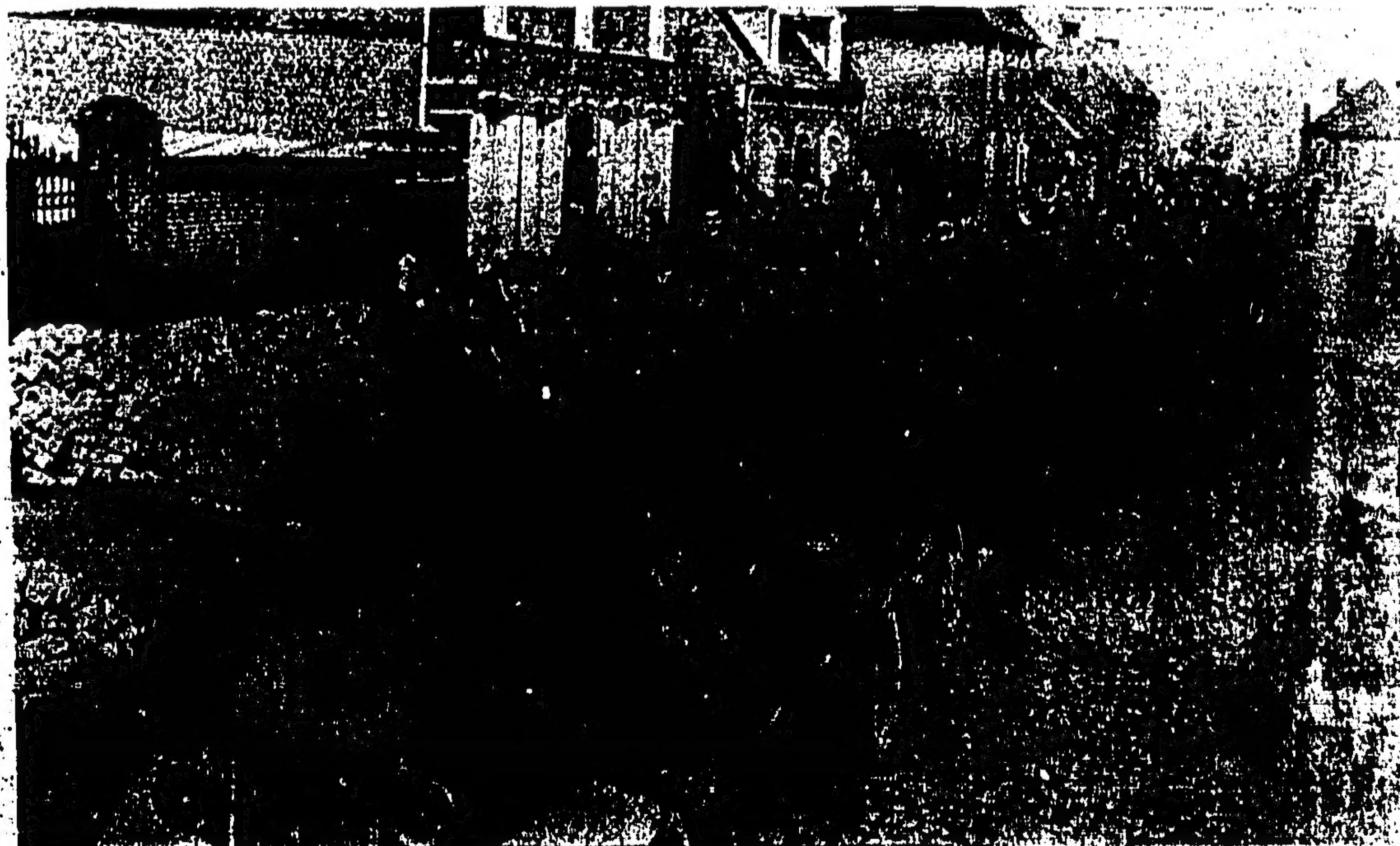
At the centre visited those pupils eager to learn something about boxing are particularly fortunate for the boxing training there is under the supervision of Sergeant Len Harvey and Corporal Eddie Phillips.

New Zealand is making a special effort to supply the R.A.F. with trained pilots and other flying personnel, besides what she is already doing.

ter defeat.

"This vicious circle can be closed only when she makes up her mind to relinquish her dream of conquest and realises that only a free and prosperous China can guarantee her own prosperity and freedom.

"The present war is suicidal in that it destroys the structure and function of constitutional government, on which the stability of the State depends, and releases all the unruly forces successfully brought under control by the sweat and toil of several generations."—Reuter.



"Allo where art thou?" One of the bunch of this detachment of Tommies, who have just made a halt in a French village for their midday meal, has named the leading transport car very appropriately. Behind for the front, exhibiting all the signs of cheerfulness, these boys will not be found that lies ahead of them has to be done. (By A. J. Mail, Passed by the Daily Mail.)

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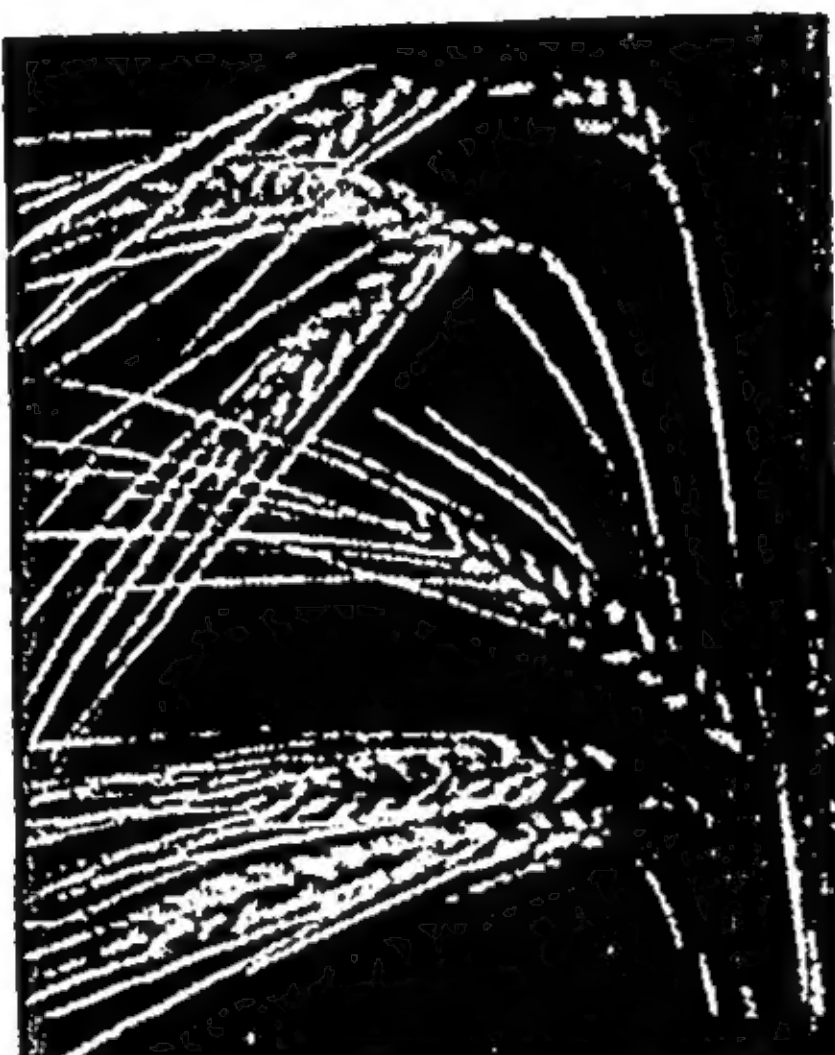
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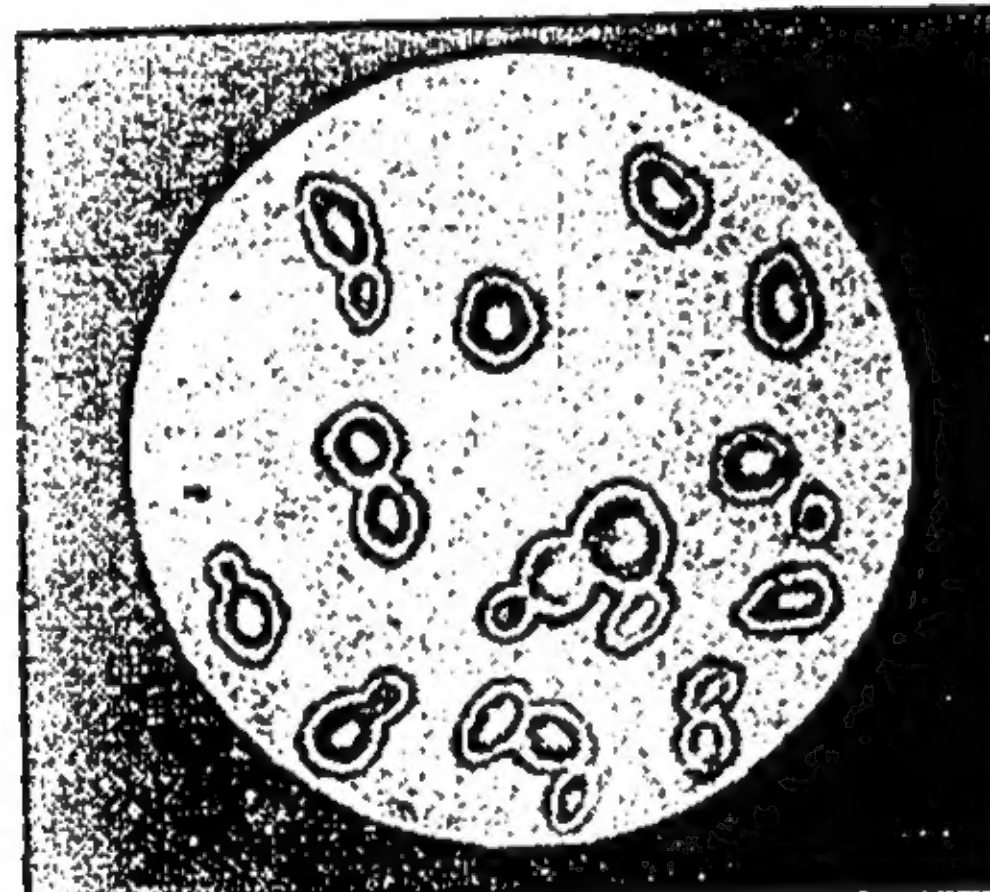
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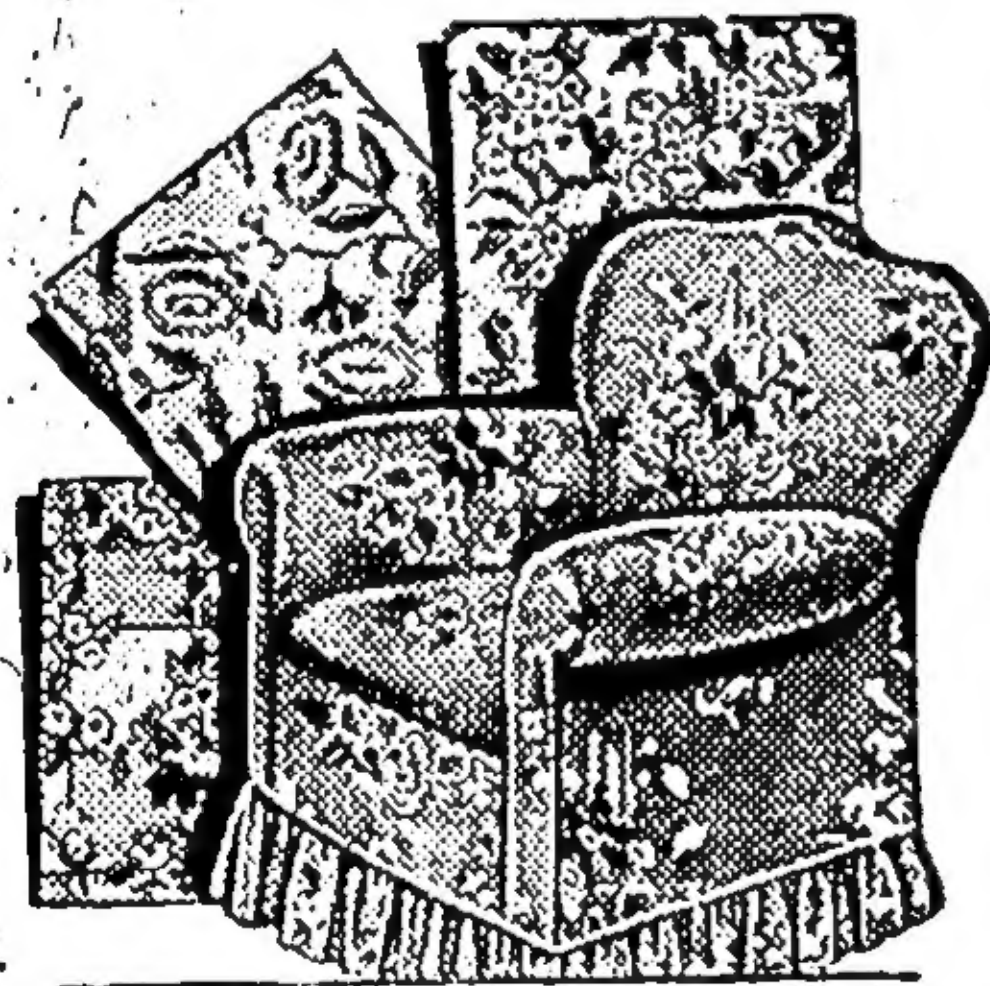
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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

THE BALTIC STATES

The Baltic States, which during the Tzarist regime put up a hard struggle against the Russian yoke, are now under Soviet hegemony. The situation is not without a touch of grim irony. For, it was the reluctance of these States to have their neutrality guaranteed, when a tripartite pact between France, Great Britain and Soviet Russia seemed possible, which has partly been responsible for their present plight. Strongly nationalistic, the States resisted the invasions and counter-invasions of German and Russian troops during the years 1917-1920. That bitter experience taught them to have no faith either in the Germans or the "Reds." When they finally emerged as sovereign states, they sought in neutrality, vainly it is now apparent, the means of maintaining their sovereignty.

Soviet Russia has a strip of only 100 miles between Finland and Estonia on the Baltic seaboard. It is, therefore, but natural that she should be anxious to secure strategic points in the Baltic States which might be valuable to her for offensive purposes. Soviet protection may be valuable to these small States against the possibility of aggression from Germany. But it may turn out that the "protection" has been dearly bought. Russia's share of dismembered Poland is being rapidly sovietised and similar methods might be applied to the Baltic States as well.—"Ceylon Observer."

"HURRY SLOWLY"

It is natural that in Britain there should be much impatient criticism about the pace of the war.

The answer is that the object of the Allies is not to make spectacular demonstrations but to win the war. No action they could have taken could have had its effect in time to prevent the over-running of Poland. "What we will not do," Mr. Neville Chamberlain, British Prime Minister, said, "is to rush into adventures that offer little prospect of success" and are calculated to impair our resources and to postpone ultimate victory."

Some hold that at least they might have been attacking Germans from the air. But sporadic raids by squadrons of aeroplanes or large-scale assaults on the Siegfried line or any other big manoeuvre must be considered in the light of the larger strategy, which aims at bringing the greatest force to bear at the chosen moment in the most favourable circumstances. Any action which frittered away strength before the right moment would be wasteful. The Allies will hardly pursue the method which the Germans most wish them to adopt.

The Allies will be far stronger later on. The main force of Britain's manpower is undergoing training, and with every month that passes there will be a larger proportion of it ready to go into the line side by side with the French. Britain's Air Force is very powerful, but its rate of increase is reported greater than that of the Third Reich, so that there, too, time seems on the side of the Allies. In the meantime mine-fields are being laid in home waters, submarines hunted and destroyed, war contraband seized, and much of which the public hears nothing is being done to make the blockade of Germany effective.

No doubt, soon enough, the tempo of the war will rise in the west. But well-wishers of the Allies need not grudge the delays. The Third Reich started this war at its own chosen time. Every day that passes now, removes some of the inequality which at the beginning favoured the aggressor. — "Christian Science Monitor."

MAN'S INSTINCT

More proof is necessary than a mere rationalization of a state of things to make me subscribe to the theory that mankind is inherently pugnacious. It is living together, not fighting together, that's instinctive. Men are brought together in response to the dominating instinct of self-preservation. This, to be sure, also makes them fall out occasionally. But such lapses can no more be blamed on a supposedly inherent belligerency of the human race than can economic stringency be blamed on the prodigal bounty of nature. What has happened is that by a misuse of their institutions men have sometimes developed fears that their existence was being threatened by their neighbours. The blame lies in a mishandling of the tools of our institutional civilization, not in a defect in mankind's instinctive endowment.

"NEW ORDER"

Striking is the Japanese parallel to the procedure followed by Germany in the conquest of Poland, invasion followed by a bid for peace on the basis of the capture.

The Tokyo spokesman explained that Japan is not desirous at present of having formal talks with the United States, not seeking a Tokyo parley or a Washington conference just yet. Probably not until the "new order in East Asia" is a little nearer formal consummation.

This disinclination toward formal conferences just now was revealed in connection with comment on recent informal talks between the American ambassador to Japan and the Japanese foreign minister. So it is a logical assumption that the informal talks have not yet produced results to whet the Japanese appetite for formal conference, at least not before the establishment of the Japanese-controlled government in China is brought about to strengthen Japan's position.

It is logical to assume that the American ambassador in his talks with the Japanese foreign minister received a clear indication of the line of Tokyo's planning. On that assumption it should be the American policy to indicate unmistakably what the attitude is as to waiting for the "new order" to ripen to make ready for formal conferences looking to its recognition. — "Manila Bulletin."

BRANDS OF NEUTRALITY

There are millions in this country for whom neutrality means a scornful refusal to get mixed up with the quarrels of foreigners, and thousands for whom it means a chance to go on having their own way and to make some money out of the fight. But there is a high and true neutrality . . . which does not take sides because it is too busy taking responsibility . . . There is a neutrality the heart of which is justice and redemptiveness: justice in facing the sins of both sides — the sins of Versailles and the past quarter-century of international intrigue and selfishness, as well as the sins of Hitler and the totalitarians; and redemptiveness towards both sides, which thinks and works constantly, not for the defeat of one side and the victory of the other, but for the defeat of sin, and the victory of God, in every nation. — "The New Witness."

HITLER STILL HOLDS HIS HAND

ABSENCE OF ANY hostile act by Germany against the Netherlands, freely predicted for this week-end, has not resulted in any modification of the extreme disquiet.

Anxiety felt in the Netherlands is reflected in the haste with which the Foreign Minister conferred with the Belgian Foreign Minister on receipt of the Anglo-French replies to the peace appeal, and to the extreme reserve of the newspapers, explained by determination to avoid any pretext of provocation.

Reuter cables an official denial of ultimatum rumour stories, but it is noteworthy that German disclaimers of any intention to violate Holland's neutrality are accompanied by charges that Dutch neutrality is not sufficiently strong.

Hitler's intentions, however, can only be surmised. The real German plan is known only to the German Chancellor and his very close military advisers.

TELEPHONES CUT OFF IN HOLLAND

Amsterdam, To-day.

On Saturday night, telephone communications in many parts of Holland were suspended, owing to "military activity."

The situation yesterday morning was reported to be normal.

Amsterdam Airport is now "black-out" and Amsterdam and other northern cities will have their first black-out test to-night.—Reuter.

NO SIGN OF ACUTE TENSION

Amsterdam, To-day.

The Netherlands press shows no signs of acute tension.

The Amsterdam paper "Handelsblad" carries a report from its Berlin correspondent containing reassurances from the Wilhelmstrasse. Berlin denies once again, he says, that Germany has any intention of violating the neutrality of Holland and Belgium.

The troop concentrations on the northern frontier, says the Wilhelmstrasse, are carrying out manoeuvres, which it describes as being "purely technical, instructional and of no political character."—Reuter.

ADVICE TO BRITONS IN BELGIUM

Brussels, To-day.

A confidential circular from the British consul states that Britons who prefer or who are constrained to remain may do so, but those in a position to leave would be well advised to make the necessary arrangements.—Reuter.

CONSULTATIONS IN AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam, To-day.

Within two hours of the receipt of the British and French replies to the peace initiative of Queen Wilhelmina and King Leopold, consultations were held here between the Foreign Ministers of the two countries.

The Foreign Minister of Belgium left Brussels on receipt of a telephone call and he is expected to go on to The Hague for an audience with Queen Wilhelmina.—Reuter.

MET AT BREDA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Brussels, To-day.

The Foreign Minister, M. Paul Spaak, left for the Netherlands yesterday afternoon and met the Dutch Foreign Minister, Dr. Patijn, at Breda.

Both statesmen were accompanied by the secretaries-general of their Ministries.—Havas.

MIXED ATTITUDE IN GERMANY

Amsterdam, To-day.

The Prime Minister, De Geer, is to deliver a broadcast during the lunch

BOMBING REPORT WAS AN ERROR

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry, in a reference to the report that a German aircraft attempted to bomb a French Channel steamer, states that an aeroplane, apparently uncertain of its position owing to lowlying clouds, descended and flew over a prohibited area at Boulogne.

French anti-aircraft guns opened fire and shell splinters falling in the water gave rise to the report of bombing. Actually no bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

KING'S MESSAGE TO KING OF ITALY

London, To-day.

The King has sent a message of congratulation to King Victor Emmanuel of Italy on the occasion of his 70th birthday on November 11.—Reuter.

hour to-day.

He is expected to explain the delicate situation and ask the people to keep cool.

The Government is still delaying the main defence, flooding.

Hundreds of trains are ready to remove people in the path of the main waters if it should become necessary.

It is felt that Germany would hardly have sent a message saying she is studying the Hague peace appeal if she were on the point of invading the country.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Rotterdamsche Courant" reports that, on the one hand, there is a desire in Germany to calm apprehension and, on the other, a desire by the German authorities not to commit themselves too far for the future.—Reuter.

U.S. COULD NOT BE INDIFFERENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

New York, To-day.

"The Americans do not want to be involved in the war but should we witness the destruction of Holland and Belgium we could not remain indifferent as a result of the war," states the New York Herald-Tribune.

The paper adds, "The only guilt of the Netherlands and Belgium is their geographical position, which interests Germany."—Havas.

JAPANESE FAIL

Shasi, To-day.

Japanese drives from Tsenkiang, 95 miles above Hankow on the south bank of the Han River, during the week-end, have been beaten back.

On the Hankow-Ichang highway, Chinese sappers destroyed a section of the road near Lukiangai and a large number of bridges.

Hsukiangai and Kiukengshan, saw considerable fighting and the Japanese suffered a large number of casualties.—Central News.

INCREASES IN THE ITALIAN ARMY

Rome, To-day.

It is officially announced that Mussolini has ordered the strengthening of the Italian Army by the addition of some 5,000 junior officers and 18,000 specialists.—Reuter.

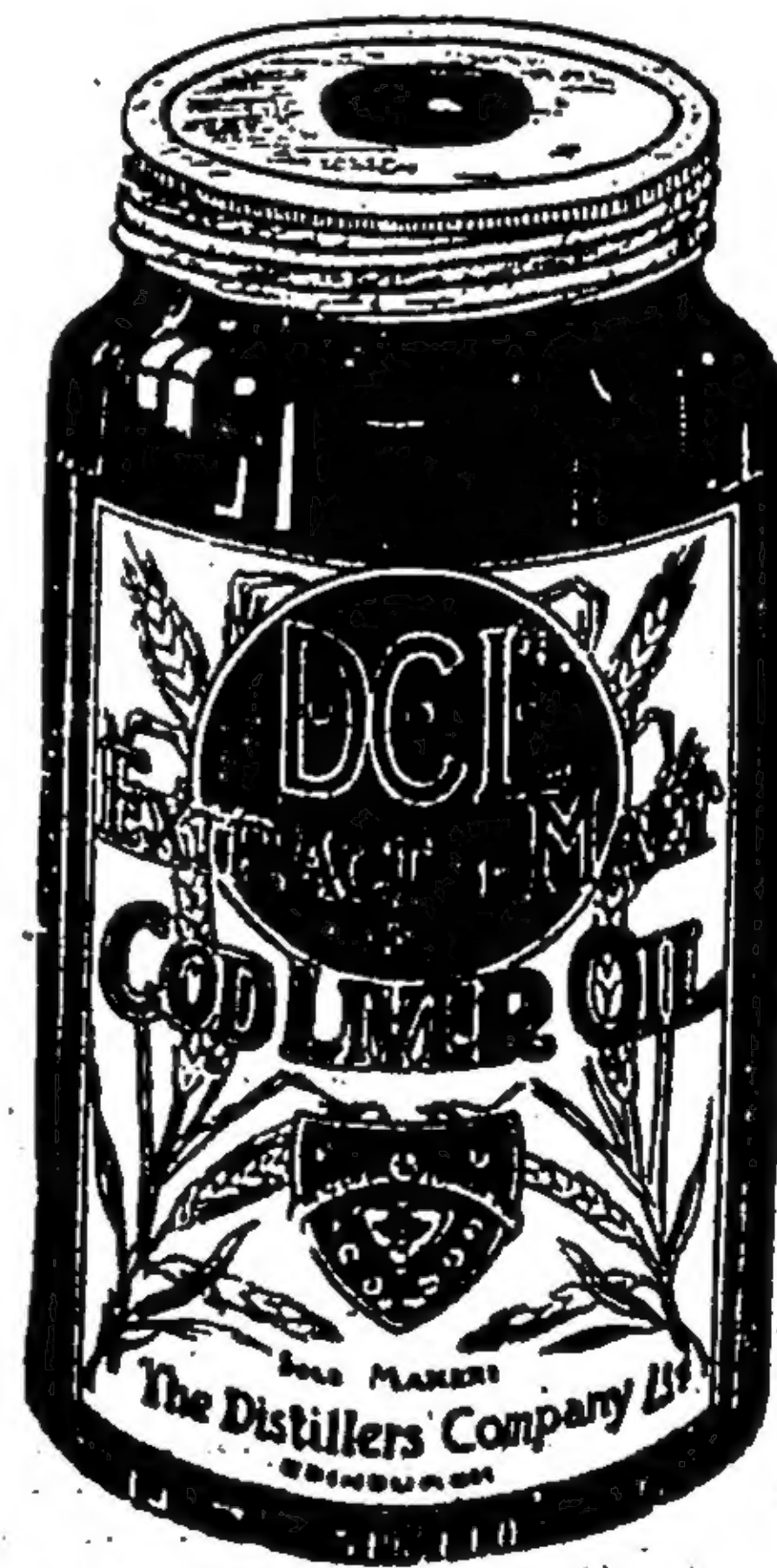
GERMAN ATTACKS REPULSED

Paris, To-day.

Last night's French war communique said that some local attempts by the enemy were repulsed during the day.—Reuter.



In a camouflaged armaments factory "somewhere in the Midlands" the King saw some of the anti-aircraft and other guns and ammunition being turned out. Thousands of men and women are working day and night producing them. Photo shows—The King interested in a girl worker making bullets. (By Air Mail. Copyright).



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GUERRILLAS OVER THE BORDER

Delayed messages from the border received to-day disclose that a four-hour battle was fought in the early hours of Saturday morning north of Shumchun and Namtau, between the Japanese and Chinese guerillas.

It is revealed that the Chinese, number unknown, carried out simultaneous attacks shortly after 2 a.m. The Japanese were taken unawares and were forced to abandon their first defence line, on which work has not yet been completed.

The Japanese withdrew and managed to hold the Chinese until the arrival of reinforcements from Shumchun Station shortly after 6 a.m. The Chinese retired before reinforcements arrived.

MINISTERS ATTEND WAR CONCERT

Paris, To-day.

The five Dominions Ministers who are touring the Allied defences, accompanied by General Lord Gort, the British commander-in-chief, attended a concert party behind the lines last evening.

The concert had been got up by Noel Coward, who took part in the production. — Reuter.

WELFARE IN MACAO

Macao, To-day.

The Macao authorities are taking more interest in the welfare of young women and girls in the Portuguese colony.

An order has been issued to the general public to register all muitsai and adopted daughters with the Police.

A heavy fine will be imposed on those ignoring the order. — Our Own Correspondent.

STOLEN CAR FOUND AT FERRY

It was this morning disclosed that the car reported missing from a park at Fanling Station on Saturday, has been recovered.

The car, No. 4310, belonging to Mr. A. K. Mackenzie, was found yesterday at the Star Ferry, Kowloon, having apparently been driven there by a joy rider.

Mr. Nelson Johnson, U.S. Ambassador to China, will be the guest of honour of the Chinese-American Institute at a tiffin to be held on Thursday, at 1 p.m. at the Hong Kong Hotel.

CALCUTTA AIR RAID ALARM

Calcutta, To-day.

Calcutta received its first air raid alarm of the war yesterday afternoon.

It was due to the appearance of an unidentified plane over a prohibited area some 20 miles south of the city. — Reuter.

EXHIBITION OF OIL PAINTINGS

The exhibition of oil paintings by Mr. K. K. Lim, which opened to-day and will remain open to-morrow, is doubly interesting. Primarily, of course, Hong Kong will be interested in his many impressions of local landscapes and "views". In this category comes a view of the harbour and Victoria, with Kowloon in the background, all bathed in a beautiful semi-subdued light centred on the Bank Building.

The second point of interest in the exhibition is the fact that the paintings are done by a Chinese in the Western style. Most Chinese artists to-day prefer to follow the traditional style, with only slight concessions to modern theories of perspective and depth. When they try to ape the artists of the Western world, the resultant efforts are often sufficient to make one shudder.

Mr. Lim, of course, has had the benefit of a long and comprehensive study in some of the major schools of art and painting in the west. And the result is reflected in his work, which is almost completely in the western style which Mr. Lim has his own.

Mr. Lim prefers a smooth canvas or wood and his technique is almost faultless. He has a sense of the delicacy of colour which few save some of the leading Japanese artists seem to have. His sense of colour composition, too, is strong, even where he takes on pictures of a most complicated character.

Perhaps his most endearing asset, however, is his feeling for light. His landscapes are brimful with sunshine, even when it is subdued, and the light in his shade is never muddy or dead.

His portraits are not so happy. Although there are one or two notable exceptions, most of them are as static as a photograph, and the posing is not always happy.

But one forgives all when one sees his landscapes. It is here that he is quite at home, and his still-lives and portraits are interesting only by way of variety and to set off the really good sections of the exhibition. Although Mr. Lim would appear to specialise in oils, his capacity for broad masses of colour, of almost pastel quality, makes one rather wish he would try his hand at water colour. — A. E. G.

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



These pictures show the arrival home at Istanbul of M. Sarajoglu, the Turkish Foreign Minister, after his refusal to sign a pact in Moscow which would not have been compatible with the Turks' commitments to England and France. M. Sarajoglu was taken back to Istanbul in a Russian destroyer. Photo shows—M. Sarajoglu (in glasses) about to leave the destroyer at Istanbul. On his left is M. Terentief, Russian Ambassador to Turkey. (By Air Mail. Copyright).

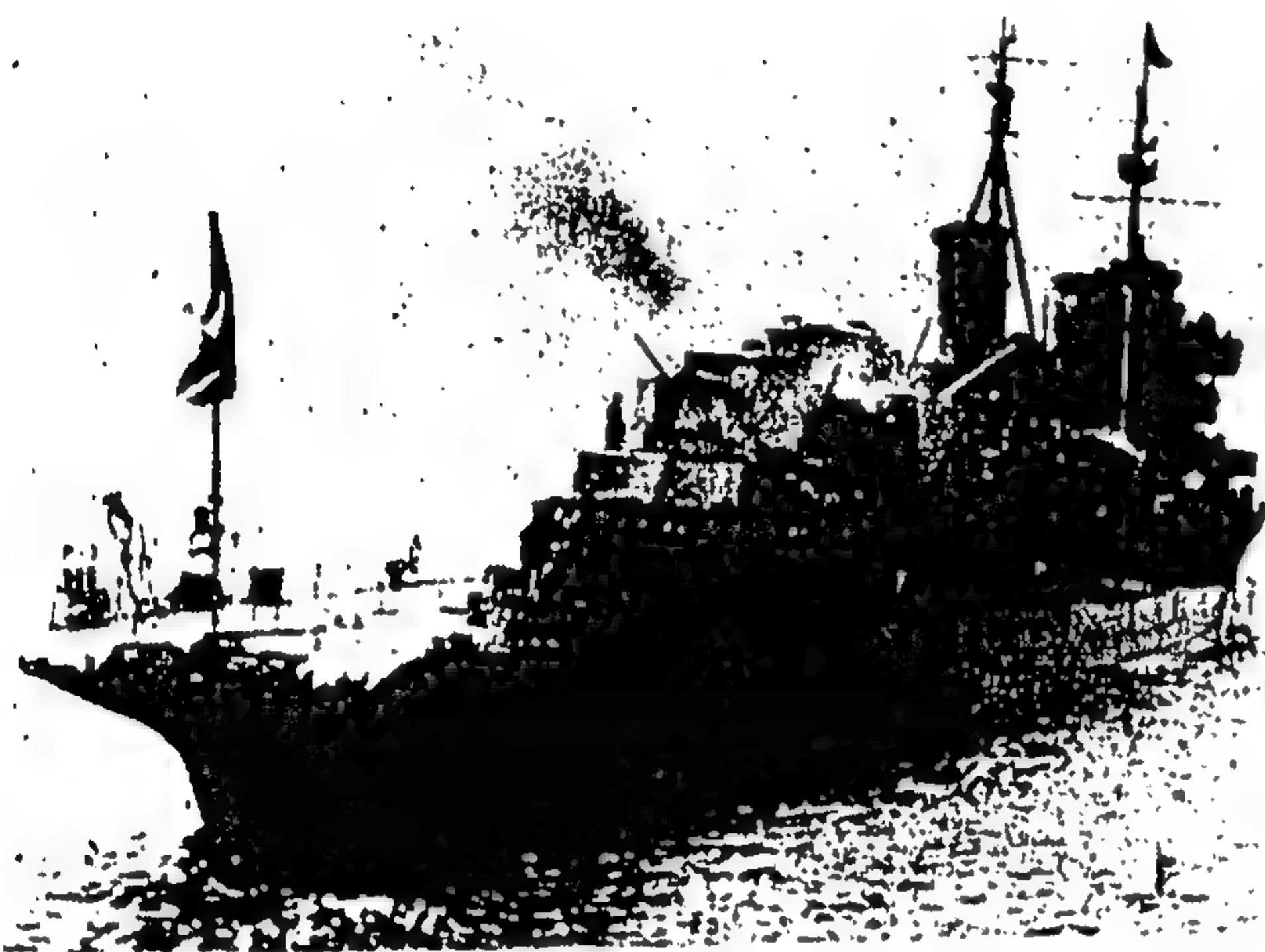


Photo shows the Russian destroyer upon arrival. (Passed by Air Mail. Copyright).

PLYMOUTH CELEBRATES CHARTER

London, To-day.

The anniversary of the granting of the Charter which made Plymouth a Borough and removed the growing town from the jurisdiction of the Priory of Plumptre was celebrated yesterday.

The history of the emancipation of towns from Royal or ecclesiastical control is the history of England.

In those far off times, the origins of the great towns of to-day were found in Guilds of merchants carrying on business for which local conditions gave particular facilities; for instance, Plymouth grew on her seaborne trade.

These Guilds found the need both for relief from outside control and for enacting and enforcing rules for their own mercantile protection.

This freedom was obtained by means of Charters, granted often in return for a payment to the King.

PLYMOUTH UNIQUE

Although many towns received Charters before Plymouth; Norwich, for instance, was the first chartered in 1428; Plymouth is unique in that the Charter was granted by Act of Parliament and not by Royal favour.

However these Charters were granted, it is upon the incorporation of the ancient Boroughs that the Great Britain trading of local self government has been built.—British Wireless.

INDIAN P.C. MISSING

Mystery surrounds the disappearance of an Indian constable, attached to Sheungshui Police Station in the New Territories.

The constable, No. P. C. B162, was reported absent from duty last Thursday and has not since been seen.

KING AND QUEEN ATTEND SERVICE

London, To-day.

The King and Queen yesterday attended Armistice Sunday Service at the Chapel Royal, St. James. The Bishop of Manchester delivered the sermon.—Reuter.

JUNK HELD UP BY JAP. DESTROYER

A cargo of kerosene, flour, matches, valued at \$1,670, was forcibly taken from Chen Po-Lui, 54, by a Japanese destroyer which stopped his junk off the Sam Mun Customs Station last Wednesday morning.

None of the crew were molested. The junk reached Hong Kong yesterday.

NO NEW "BLACKOUT"

Reports this morning of a forthcoming "black out" test some time this month were denied by Wing-Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, Director of A. R. P. to-day.

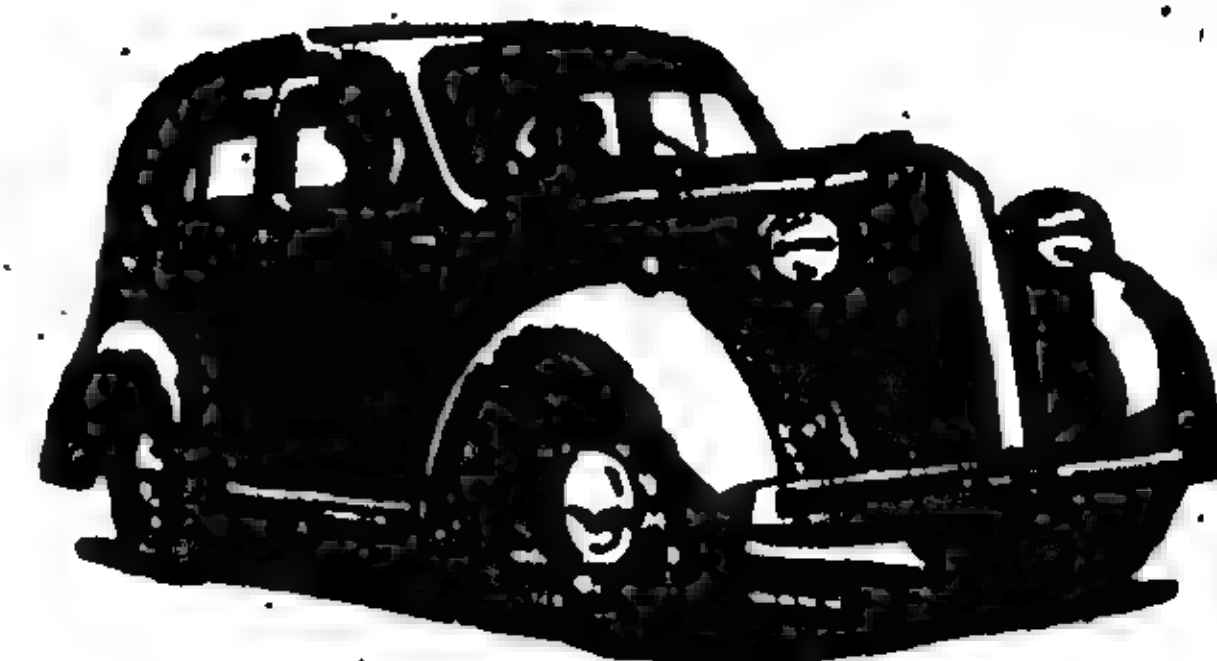
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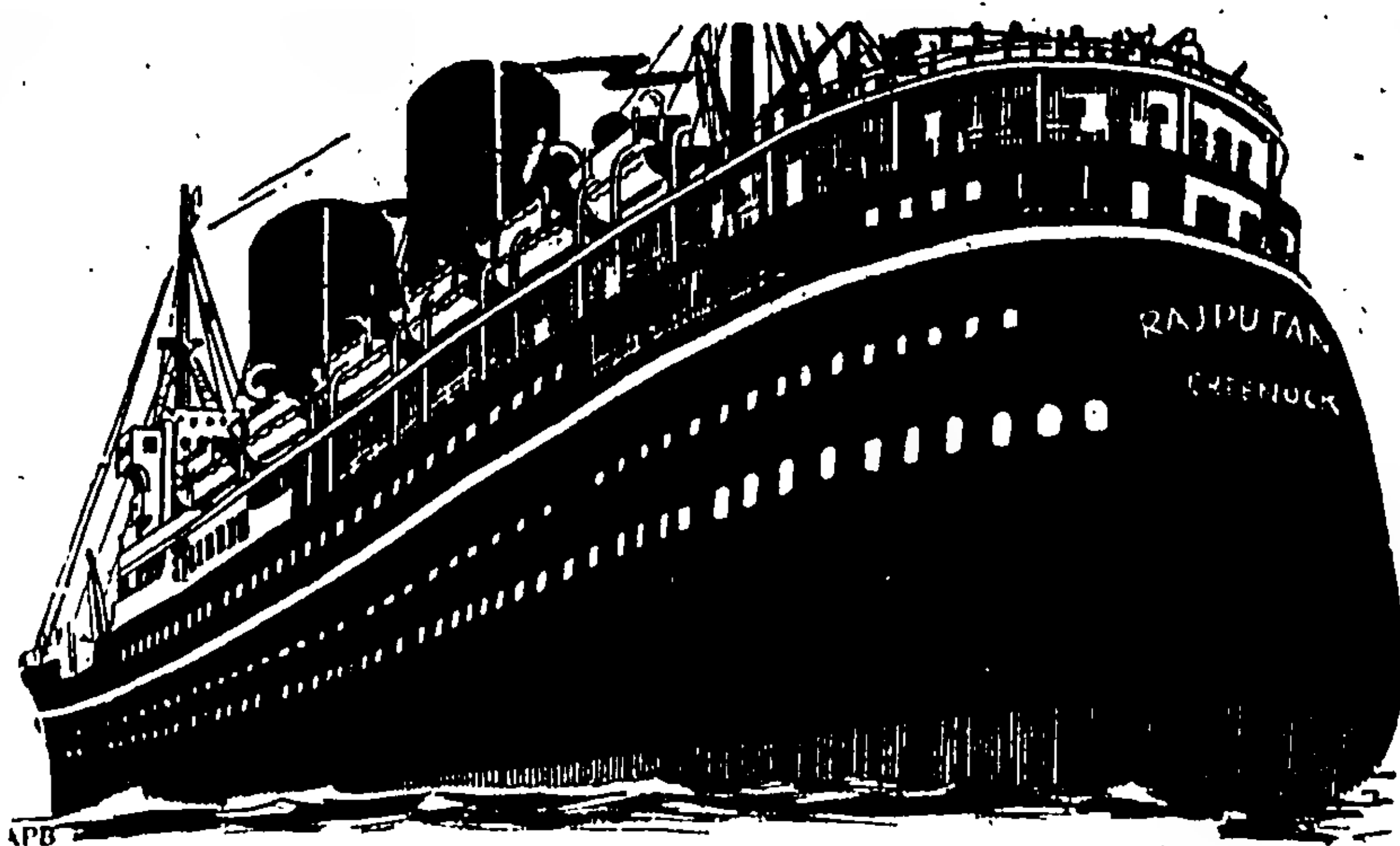
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INWARD MAILS

Shanghai	November 13.
Canton	November 13.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—	
San Francisco date, 7th November	November 14.
Haiphong, Pakhoi, Hoihow and Fort Bayard	November 14.
Calcutta and Straits	November 14.
Straits	November 14.
Shanghai	November 14.
Shanghai	November 14.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date,	
8th November	November 15.
Japan and Shanghai	November 15.
Manila	November 15.
Japan and Shanghai	November 15.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London	
date, 8th November	November 16.
Haiphong and Pakhoi	November 16.
Japan	November 16.
Manila	November 17.
Haiphong	November 17.
Canton	November 17.
Australia and Manila	November 17.
Sandakan	November 17.
Shanghai	November 17.
Japan and Shanghai	November 18.

OUTWARD MAILS

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
MONDAY		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C., (Parcels only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 1st December.	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg., Nov. 13, 9.15 a.m. Ord., Nov. 13, 10.00 a.m.	
Canton		Nov. 11, 7.00 p.m.
TUESDAY		
Saigon		Tues., Nov. 14, 9.30 a.m.
Batavia and Sourabaya		Tues., Nov. 14, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong		Tues., Nov. 14, 1.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 2nd November.	K.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.30 p.m.	
	G.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 7.00 p.m.	
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 20th Nov.	K.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.30 p.m.	
	G.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 7.00 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY		
Canton		Wed., Nov. 15, 7.15 a.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 21st November.	K.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.30 p.m.	
	G.P.O. Reg., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.30 p.m. Ord., Tues., Nov. 14, 5.00 p.m.	
Shanghai		Wed., Nov. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Haiphong		Wed., Nov. 15, 2.00 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 14th December.	K.P.O. Reg., Wed., Nov. 15, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Wed., Nov. 15, 5.30 p.m.	
	G.P.O. Reg., Wed., Nov. 15, 5.00 p.m. Ord., Wed., Nov. 15, 7.00 p.m.	

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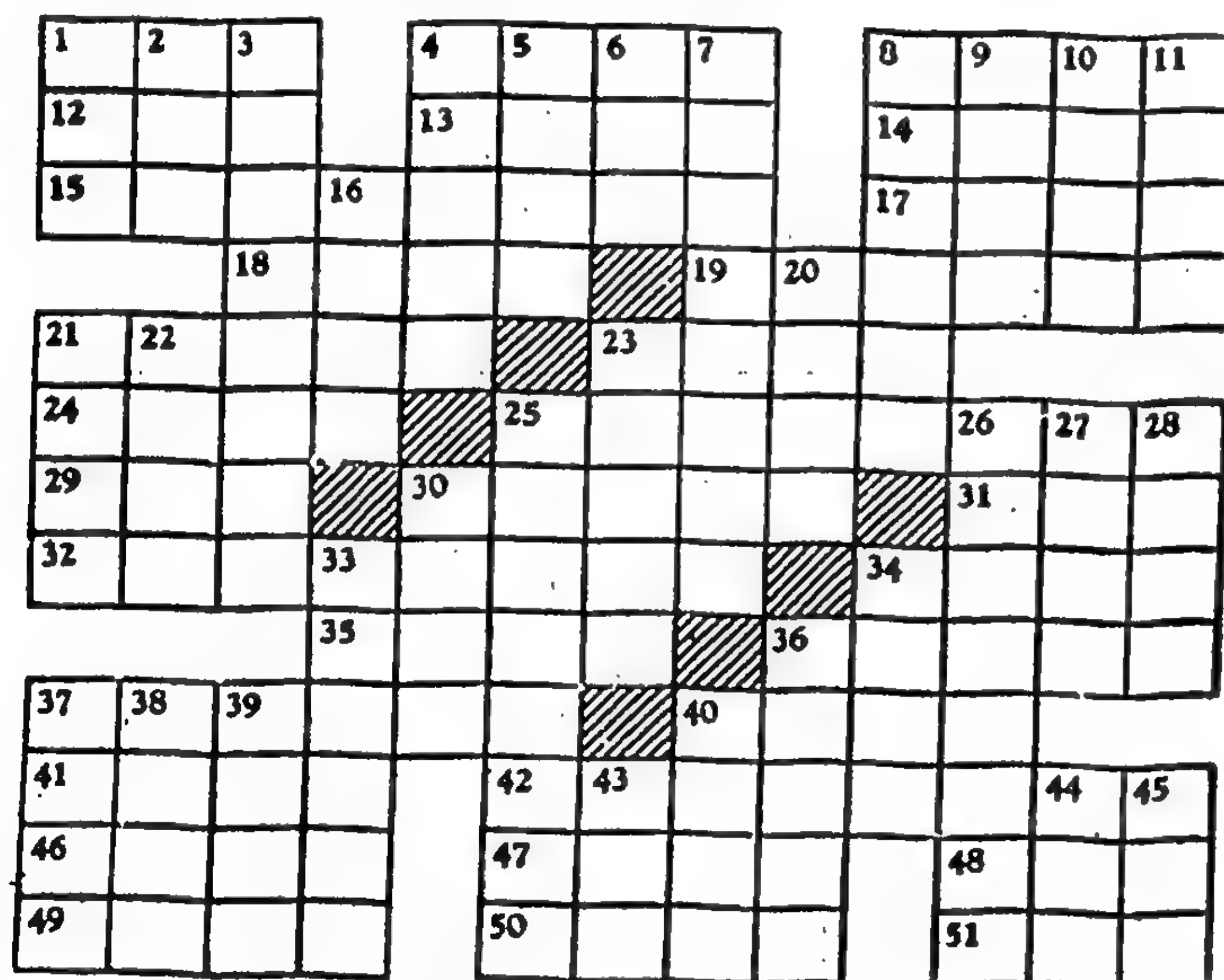
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- 1 A dude
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- 8 Obstructs
- 12 Mountain in Greece
- 13 Italian seaport
- 14 Great lake
- 15 Deprived of honours
- 17 Cook in oven
- 18 Halo
- 19 Empty spaces
- 21 Paths
- 23 Law: a deed
- 24 Long-legged bird
- 25 Joins
- 29 Persian hat
- 30 Roman Fate
- 31 Garden tool
- 32 Polish
- 34 Certain
- 35 Musical instrument
- 36 Ventured
- 37 Feast
- 40 Trade for money

VERTICAL

- 1 Intense
- 42 Recounting
- 46 Sit for portrait
- 47 Always
- 48 Ocean
- 49 Stations
- 50 Father (pl.)
- 51 Border

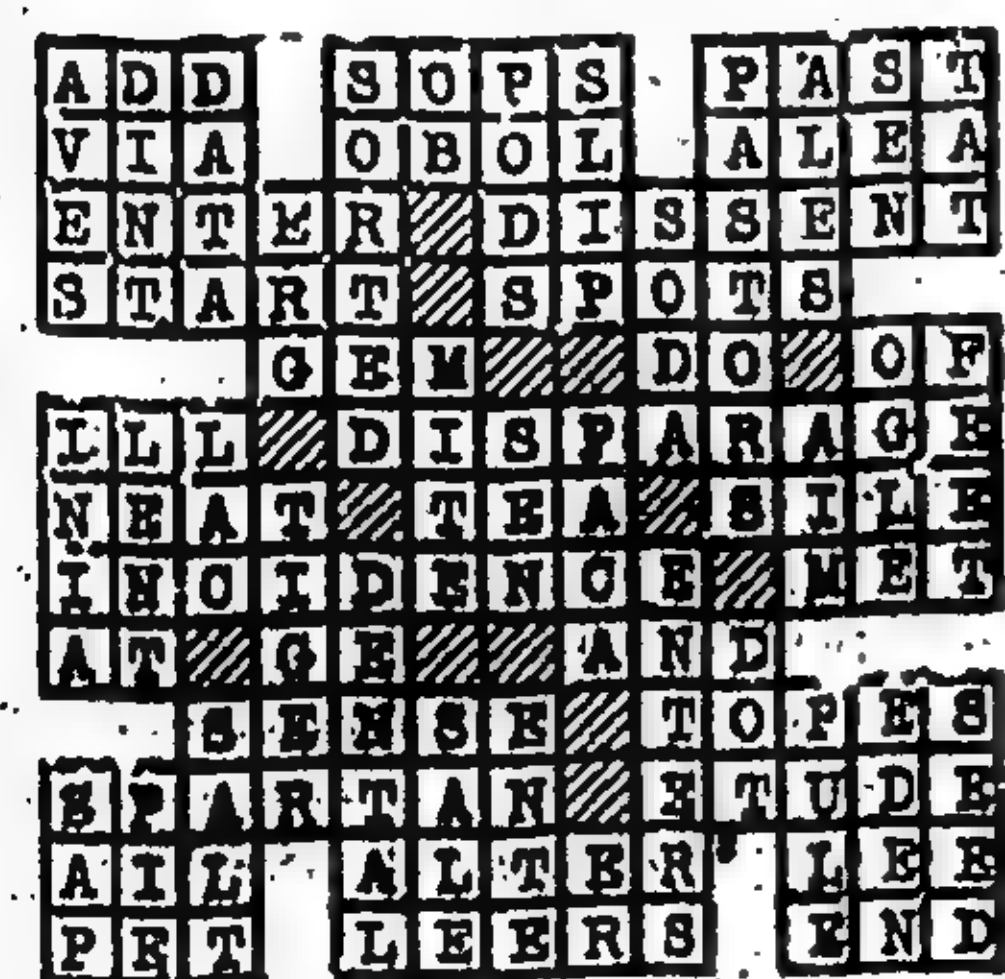
VERTICAL

- 1 Wooden pin
- 2 Poem
- 3 To make heathen
- 4 Boxes
- 5 Musical ending
- 6 Beverage
- 7 Brilliance

8 Deliberate

- 9 Irish islands
- 10 Man's nickname
- 11 Observes
- 18 Regrets
- 20 One of Columbus' ships
- 21 Animation
- 22 Son of Adam
- 23 Power
- 25 Loped
- 26 Miserly
- 27 Ripped
- 28 Sow
- 30 One of Apostles
- 33 Swampy ground (pl.)
- 34 Seasoning
- 36 Loved ones
- 37 Knocks
- 38 Cry of Bacchanals
- 39 Crux
- 40 Winter vehicle
- 43 Girl's name
- 44 Formerly
- 45 School of whales

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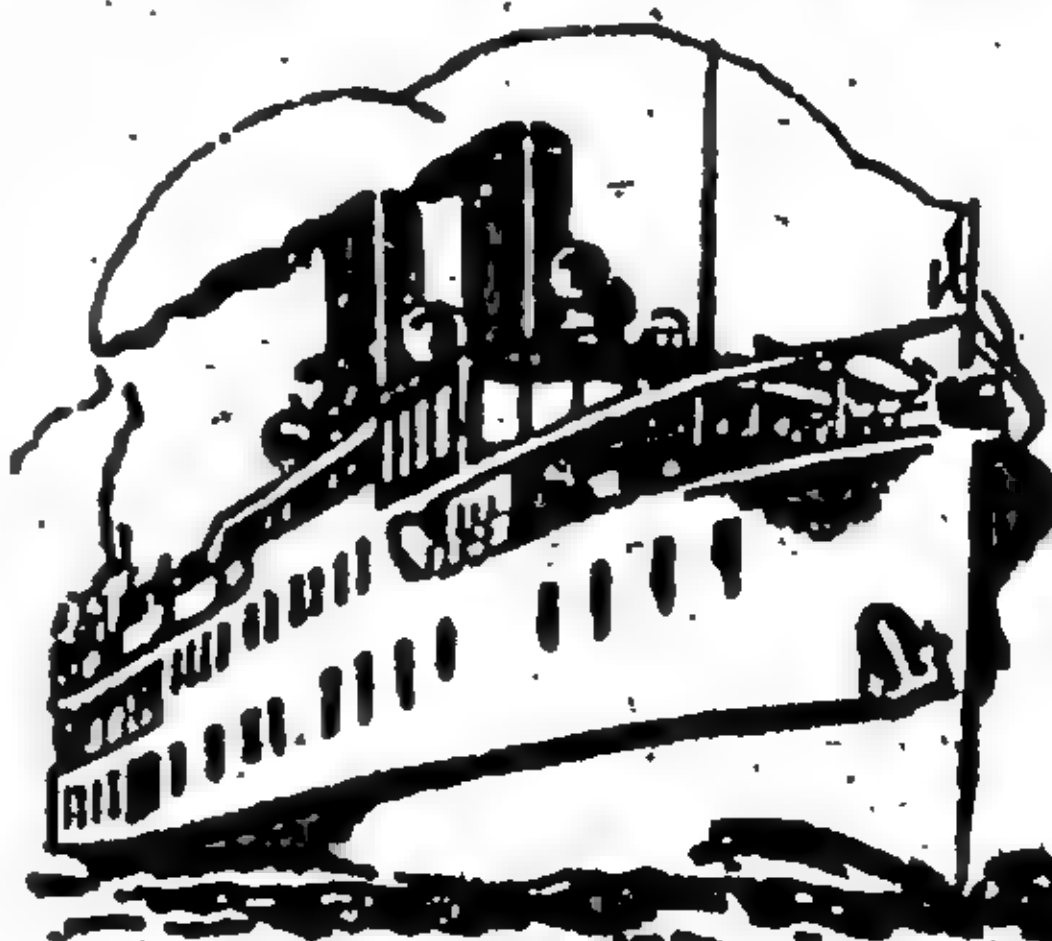
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ASHEVILLE'S SUCCESS

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ASHEVILLE									
W. J. Balaski	181	209	184	177	167	898			
M. O. Gray	170	171	156	155	181	839			
F. G. Schneider	136	137	114	158	168	713			
J. A. Harvey	133	140	122	167	134	696			
MINDANAO									
J. T. Sheehan	109	183	177	163	169	801			
D. M. Keplinger	129	154	162	137	164	746			
S. Golden	132	148	137	135	160	712			
J. C. Thomas	133	137	155	144	569				
A. Hirschberg	106	—	—	—	106				
Total									
	626	657	556	657	650	3,146			
Total									
	476	618	613	500	637	2,934			

NOMADS HELD

Leading by two goals after a goalless first half, Nomads Hockey Club were held to a draw by the Middlesex Rgt. in a friendly hockey match at Shumshuipo yesterday, both sides sharing four goals.

The scorers were H. Gubbay and J. Franco for the Nomads and Hatfield and Pearson for the Middlesex.

ANOTHER SUCCESS FOR MR. A.V. WHITE

Following his success last Wednesday in winning the Shanghai Champions with his pony White Parade, word has been received that the Shanghai Grand National was also won by Mr. A. V. White with his pony White Major.

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**MACAO RACING****EAGLE'S FINE WIN IN RACE COURSE HANDICAP**

FOLLOWING are the results of the Race Meeting held at Macao yesterday.

Eagle won easily from the highly-favoured National Triumph in the Race Course Handicap, Mr. K. I. Ip, who later met with a nasty accident, bringing him home for a three-length win.

1.—GRAND STAND HANDICAP — Six Furlongs.
 Mr. J. H. Potts's Shanghai 4 (Mr. S. C. Liang) 1
 Mr. J. H. Potts's Gold Clause (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 2
 Mr. F. J. Gellon's Merry Maker (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 3
 Distance Won: Many lengths, 4 lengths.
 Time: 1.41-3/5.

BETTING Win Place
 Country Flower (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 1 1
 Gold Clause (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 17 6
 Merry Maker (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 17 8
 Morning Tip (Mr. K. I. Ip) 2 1
 Shanghai 4 (Mr. S. C. Liang) 65 22

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$6.60. Places \$5.40, \$6.70.

2.—RACE COURSE HANDICAP — Six Furlongs.
 Mrs. Gellon's Eagle (Mr. K. I. Ip) 1
 Mr. F. J. Gellon's National Triumph (Mr. S. C. Liang) 2
 Mr. O'Moon's Cloudy Star (Mr. S. W. Pan) 3
 Distance Won: 3 lengths, Many lengths.
 Time: 1.46-4/5.

BETTING Win Place
 Cloudy Star (Mr. S. W. Pan) 7 4
 Double Up (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 1 2
 Eagle (Mr. K. I. Ip) 51 18
 Iron Knight (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 11 4
 National Triumph (Mr. S. C. Liang) 71 25

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$11.70. Places \$5.20, \$5.20.

3.—TURF HANDICAP. (First Section)—One Mile.
 Mr. Commodity's Lucky Eleven (Mr. S. C. Liang) 1
 Mr. A. H. P.'s King's Parade (Mr. L. B. Chao) 2
 Mr. H. C. McComb's Persian Cat (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 3
 Distance won: A length, Many lengths.
 Time: 2.12-3/5.

BETTING Win Place
 King's Parade (Mr. L. B. Chao) 101 21
 Lucky Eleven (Mr. S. C. Liang) 54 12
 Mac's Adventure (Mr. K. I. Ip) 6 1
 National Dignity (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 7 6
 Persian Cat (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 6 1

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$13.60. Places \$5.30, \$5.20.

4.—CHOI MA HUI HANDICAP — One Mile.
 Mrs. Gellon's Fairy Auk (Mr. L. B. Chao) 1

CASH SWEEPS

The following are the results of the Cash Sweeps on the race meeting held at Macao yesterday:—

RACE 1
 No. 156 \$172.60
 .. 283 49.30
 .. 46 24.00
 Unplaced tickets, Nos. 385, 175, get \$15 each.

RACE 2
 No. 191 \$190.60
 .. 192 54.40
 .. 70 27.20
 Unplaced tickets, Nos. 300, 187 get \$15 each.

RACE 3
 No. 21 \$204.60
 .. 340 58.40
 .. 37 29.20
 Unplaced tickets, Nos. 376, 239 get \$15 each.

RACE 4
 No. 3 \$227.50
 .. 472 65.00
 .. 302 32.50
 Unplaced tickets, Nos. 423, 399, 317 get \$10 each.

RACE 5
 No. 444 \$233.70
 .. 152 66.70
 .. 160 33.30
 Unplaced tickets, Nos. 256, 449, 317 get \$10 each.

RACE 6
 No. 346 \$242.10
 .. 256 69.10
 .. 230 34.50
 Unplaced tickets Nos. 5, 444 get \$15 each.

Mr. H. Y. Liang's Meadow Eve (Mr. S. W. Pan) 2
 Mr. Sports I's Rothesay Bay (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 3
 Distance Won: A Neck, Many lengths.
 Time: 2.22-2/5.

BETTING Win Place
 Coureur Bleu (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 5 4
 Fairy Auk (Mr. L. B. Chao) 98 33
 Fairy Ousel (Mr. S. C. Liang) 10 10
 Hogmanay (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 8 3
 Meadow Eve (Mr. S. W. Pan) 38 20
 Rothesay Bay (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 1 3

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$6.90. Places \$5.30, \$5.50, \$8.30.

5.—VICTORY HANDICAP—One Mile.
 Mr. Sunnyside's The Tigress (Mr. L. B. Chao) 1
 Mr. Sports' Sports Venture (Mr. S. W. Pan) 2
 Mr. Chanol's Gallant Marshal (Mr. L. S. Yuen) 3
 Distance Won: 2 lengths, a length.
 Time: 2.10-1/5.

BETTING Win Place
 Diogenes (Mr. R. K. C. Chui) 13 6
 Gallant Marshal (Mr. S. L. Yuen) 21 10
 King's Envoy (Mr. S. C. Liang) 23 11
 National Anthem (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 2 3
 Sports Venture (Mr. S. W. Pan) 97 28
 The Tigress (Mr. L. D. Chao) 50 15

Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$17.50. Places \$6.00, \$5.50, \$6.50.

6.—TURF HANDICAP (Second Section)—One Mile.
 Mr. S. W. Lee's Rose Day (Mr. S. W. Pan) 1
 Mr. Chanson Feng's Black Diamond (Mr. L. B. Chao) 2
 Mr. T. C. Yuen's The Spirit of St. Louis (Mr. W. N. Yeh) 3
 Distance Won: 2 lengths, Many lengths.
 Time: 2.13.

BETTING Win Place
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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

NO. 83—THE DEATH OF CLEOPATRA

By VINCENT TOWNE

"For her actual beauty, it is said, was not in itself so remarkable that none could be compared with her, or that no one could see her without being struck by it, but the contact of her presence, if you lived with her, was irresistible; the attraction of her person, joining with the charm of her conversation, and the character that attended all she said or did, was something bewitching. It was a pleasure merely to hear the sound of her voice, with which, like an instrument of many strings, she could pass from one language to another; so that there were few of the barbarian nations that she answered by an interpreter."

In these words did Plutarch describe Cleopatra, the last Queen of Egypt, daughter of Ptolemy Aulites.

This arch-temptress of all the ages was born at Alexandria, Egypt, 69 years B. C., and with her brother Ptolemy, because joint ruler over Egypt when she was a sprightly girl of 18.

After having enjoyed a reign of but three years she was dethroned by her brother's partisans. While their respective armies were preparing for war, Caesar arrived in Egypt and reinstated her upon her throne. Then followed a liaison between the young Queen of the Nile and the middle-aged conqueror of that world. It lasted until there was born to them a son, Caesarion, and during two years afterward, at which time Cleopatra lived with Caesar in Rome, not returning to Egypt until after his murder in the Senate.

Three years later the calm of the siren of the Nile was to be again disturbed by a noble Roman—this time the handsome and dashing Mark Antony, who had been appointed ruler of Asia and the East. Being summoned before Antony to answer accusations of having aided his enemies, Cleopatra came sailing to him in "a barge with gilded stern and outspread



They Found Her Lying Upon a Bed of Gold.

sails of purple, while cars of silver beat time to the music of flutes and lutes and harps. She herself lay all alone under a canopy of cloth of gold, dressed as Venus in a picture, and beautiful young boys, like painted Cupids, stood on each side to fan her. Her maids were dressed like sea nymphs and graces, some steering at the rudder, some working at the ropes."

As a result of this excursion, Antony became her captive instead of her captor. "Were Antony serious or disposed to mirth," says Plutarch, "She had at any moment some new delight or charm to meet his wishes; at every turn she was upon him, and let him escape her neither by day nor by night. She played at dice with him, drank with him, hunted with him; and when he exercised in arms she was there to see."

As a result of this adventure Antony divorced his wife, the sister of the Emperor Augustus, which resulted in the Emperor's declaring war on Cleopatra. The fleet of Antony and Cleopatra was defeated by that of Augustus when the little Queen was 38. She fled from the Romans, followed by her lover, who, on hearing a false report of her death, killed himself.

To make Augusta's triumph complete it was decreed that Cleopatra should be exhibited in Rome, but she thwarted these arrangements. Visiting the monument which sheltered Antony's tomb, she shut herself up in it with only her two maids of honour. Then she wrote a letter to the Emperor, making pathetic entreaties that she might be buried in the tomb with Antony. Later, when some soldiers opened the doors of the monument, they found the beautiful Cleopatra dead, "lying upon a bed of gold, set out in all her royal ornaments." Her two maids by her side were in a dying condition.

As to how Cleopatra met her death has for centuries been one of the riddles of the sphinx. One story was that just before she shut herself in the tomb a countryman bearing a basket of figs was allowed to pass the guards and enter her presence with an asp hidden under the fruit. By allowing this serpent to sting her—some say upon the arm, others aver upon the bosom—she is alleged to have committed suicide. According to another account, she kept the asp in a vase and with a golden spindle tantalised it until it stung her. Another story was that she killed herself with poison carried in a hollow bodkin upon which she wound her wonderful hair.

But it has been argued that if she had chosen any serpent to sting her

it would have been the small viper rather than the large asp. Moreover, it is related that she was found dead "without any mark of suspicion of poison on her body," and that a serpent's bite would have left an unmistakable blemish. Many authorities have argued that Cleopatra's vanity would never have allowed her to select a mode of death that would have disfigured her so frightfully as a serpent's sting.

"What really took place is known to no one," says Plutarch.



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BODY IN WOOD IDENTIFIED

East Sussex Police have established the identity of the woman whose body was found in a ditch, covered with leaves and nettles, in a wood at Newtimber, twelve miles from Brighton.

She was Miss Ann Cook, aged thirty-three, a domestic servant employed in a convalescent home at P.ival-terrace, Brighton, who is reported missing on August 21.

The police are still working on the theory that she was the victim of foul play.

They have found evidence that the body was dragged through the woods, and detectives who are engaged on the case have not ruled out the possibility that the woman may have been killed in Brighton and taken to the woods at night.

On the other hand, she may have accompanied a man in a car to the woods.

At a post-mortem examination at Burgess Hill, Dr. L. R. Janes, a Brighton pathologist, failed to find any apparent cause of death. He took away certain organs for examination. She is believed to have died five weeks ago.

One clue leading to her identification was her dark, Eton-cropped hair.

Miss Cook formerly lived in London.

LOCAL DOLLAR

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6.32 p.m.—Louis Kentner in a Piano Recital of Liszt's Compositions.
Benediction De Dieu Dans La Solitude; Scherzo—Les Patineurs (Meyerbeer-Liszt).
7.00 p.m.—Puccini's "La Tosca" Act III. Singers in order of appearance: Giuseppe Bottini (Boy Soprano), Piero Pauli (Tenor), Carmen Melis (Soprano), Nello Palai (Tenor) and Giovanni Azzimonti (Bass) with Members of the Orchestra of La Scala, Milan, conducted by Carlo Sabajno.
7.30 p.m.—Quilter's "Where The Rainbow Ends"—Selection. Organ Solo

by Sidney Torch.
7.39 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.
At The Tchaikowsky Fountain—Fantasia (Urbach); Forest Idyll (Esslinger); A Night In Venice—Porpourri (Strauss, arr. Weninger).
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—"All-In Bee"—No. 2: Law v. Medicine. Compered by the Church.
8.30 p.m.—Compositions of Mendelssohn.
Fingal's Cave—Overture....St. Louis Symphony Orchestra cond. by Rudolph Ganz.
Song Without Words....Ignaz Fried-

man (Piano).
"A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Wedding March; Nocturne....Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.
On Wings of Song....Guila Bustabo (Violin) with Gerald Moore at the Piano.
9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.40 p.m.—Tino Rossi (Tenor) and the Orchestre Raymonde.
Gounod In Vienna (arr. Walter)....Orchestre Raymonde.
Le Chaland Qui Passe (Bixio); C'Est A Capri (Grosz)....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
The Grand Duchess—Galop (Offenbach); Tritsch, Tratsch—Polka (J. Strauss)....Orchestre Raymonde.
10.00 p.m.—An hour of Dance Favourites.
11.00 p.m.—Close down.

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Although a trick taken by dummy is just as valuable as one taken by Declarer, nevertheless it is surprising to note how few Declarers make full use of their dummy. In particular, one has no idea of the number of contracts that go down simply because Declarer tries to establish his own hand without realising that a very simple play will make all of dummy's cards good. For instance, here is a hand we recently saw played at four hearts:

♠ A Q 8 7 6 5
♥ K J 9 7
♦ 6 5
♣ 4

♠ 10 5
♥ 4 3
♦ A K 9 8 4
♣ A Q 10 9

♠ K J 9 4
♥ 5 2
♦ Q J 10 7
♣ J 9 8

2
♠ A Q 10 8 6
♥ 8 2
♦ K 8 7 6 5

A diamond was opened and continued, and then the defence shifted to a trump. South won in dummy, led the singleton club and went up with his King. West won with the Ace and played a second trump. At this point Declarer saw that he could not set up his clubs, so in desperation he went after the spades, but it was too late and the hand was set.

However, if South had started after spades immediately, he would have had no trouble with his contract. Without bothering to finesse, he should cash the Ace of spades and lead a low one, trumping in his own

hand, and now play a low club. Assuming the opponents led another trump, Declarer would win in dummy, lead a third spade, trumping in his own hand, and get back to dummy by ruffing a club and lead one more spade, thereby establishing the suit while he still had a good trump in dummy. Of course, if spades and hearts had both broken badly, he would have lost the hand on this play. But it is far easier to establish a six-card suit than a five-carder.

Yesterday neither side was vulnerable, you were Howard Schenken's and held:

♠ K 10 x x
♥ A x
♦ Q 9 x x
♣ Q x x

The bidding:

Schenken Jacoby You Burnstone
1♣ 2♦ (?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is to double. There is a good chance of inflicting a substantial set, whereas game is far from certain. Score 100% for double, 60% for two notrump, 0 for pass or any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 256

To-day you are Oswald Jacoby's partner and hold:

♠ x x x
♥ A Q x x
♦ x x x
♣ x x

The bidding:

Schenken Jacoby Maier You
1♠ 2♣ Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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CRICKET

POPE'S BIG INNINGS

Fine innings by C. Pope, the captain of the Police, and A. Kirby, featured the whole-day cricket match at the Valley yesterday which Police won by 67 runs.

Pope also bowled well to take 4 for 30, while P. J. Billimoria, the Craigengower left hander, met with his first success with the ball this season to take 4 for 47.

Scores:—
Police—208 (C. Pope 74, A. Kirby 62; P. J. Billimoria 4 for 47).
C.C.C.—141 (T. Locke 30, A. H. Esmail 22; Pope 4 for 30).

Field Ambulance, H.K.V.D.C. win.
At the Rekulum Field Ambulance Company of H.K.V.D.C., assisted by such fine cricketers as H. L. Ozorio, of Recoelo, and other club cricketers, beat University by 63 runs.

Field Ambulance—165 (H. L. Ozorio 53, E. W. Stout 25; S. Mahmood 5 for 44, K. Y. Tam 3 for 18).

University—102 (Chin. Thiam-tsew 32 and S. Mahmood 25 not out; H. L. Ozorio 8 for 28).

SOFTBALL SCORES

League Softball scores over the week-end were:

MEN'S
International 7, Machine Gunners 5.
Hong Kong Baseball Club 11, Filipinos 3.
Hong Kong Ball Club 8, Mindanao 4.


GIRLS'
Wildcats 9, Wahoons 6.
Pirates 12, Cardinals 7.
Canadian Chinese 27, Panthers 13.
Recoelo 16, Hong Kong Ball Club 11.

FRIENDLY
Recoelo 8, Chung Hwa 6.

K.C.C. TOURNEY

An American tennis tournament was held at K.C.C. yesterday when 60 people in all participated, 13 courts being used. The women's prize was won by Mrs. E. Curtis with 42, and Mrs. Kevan, was runner-up with 39.

The men's prize was won jointly by R. T. Broadbridge and J. T. Tanner with 40.



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CHEUNG WING-CHOI'S BRILLIANT
GOAL-KEEPING FOILS SERVICES*Rest Of Colony Win 3-2 After Goalless First Half*WILLIAMSON AND
LAWTON DO WELL
IN DEBUT GAMES

(By "REFEREE")

THE FOOTBALL PUBLIC must be well satisfied with the brand of football served on Club ground yesterday at the Annual Poppy Day Charity game, played between United Services and the Rest of the Colony; the former won by the odd goal in five after a goalless first half.

The Services put up a gallant fight and were the more dangerous side in the first half, only the fine goal-keeping of Cheung Wing-choi preventing them for taking the lead.

Lawton, who played his first representative game, did well at back, where with Sheehan, he kept the Rest forwards out with firm tackling.

Hossack in the forward line, was always a danger with his bustling tactics, while Thorburn worked hard and gave Leung King-chui a trying time. Middleton, on the left wing, showed a good turn of speed but relied too much on his left foot, having several scoring opportunities which he missed in endeavouring to work the ball into position.

BRILLIANT GOAL-KEEPER

Cheung Wing-choi played a brilliant game in the Rest goal and in the first half brought off several good saves from shots close in.

Williamson, also playing his first representative game in the Colony, did well but the rest of the team were not accustomed to his methods. He played a somewhat third back game but, owing to lack of understanding with his wing halves, did not prove as effective as desired. In

THE PROCEEDS

The gross gate receipts for yesterday's Charity Football Match was \$2,234.50 which is slightly less than last year's proceeds.

the second half he was better and assisted his forwards to a greater extent.

Fowler, on the right wing, was not his usual self. He was often caught off-side and spoiled many good moves.

A. V. Gosano, at inside left, played better than he did in the last charity game, while Hau Ching-to, on the left wing, was well marked by Rides.

After a goalless first half Lee Wai-tong opened the scoring with a good shot and shortly after Hau Ching-to increased the score.

Led by two goals the Services applied pressure on the Rest goal and were rewarded when Middleton scored with a well placed shot.

Ten minutes from time Hossack equalised for the Services with a

FOOTBALL RESULTS
AND SCORERS

FIRST DIVISION

Middlesex Regt. 1 Marable.	Kowloon 3 Drake (own goal), Knox, Jackson.
St. Joseph's... 2 Leonard, Abbas.	Royal Scots... 2 Hossack 2.
Royal Navy... 3 Thorburn 2, Allison.	Club 0
South China "B" 1 Kwok Yin-ki.	Kwong Wah... 3 Cheuk Shek-kam 2, Chow Man-chi.
Police..... 0	Eastern 0

SECOND DIVISION "B"

Kwong Wah... 6 Chin Chi-fun 2, Lau Wing-kui, Henry Young 2, Lok Cheung-chi (own goal).	University 1 Young Kin-lin.
Kowloon 0	R. Engineers... 2 Pelham, Lowe.
R.A.F. 1 Ho Kar-keung.	Signals 3 Medford, Bundy, Pletcher

THIRD DIVISION

5th A.A. Regt. 0 Royal Engineers 1 Ellesley.	12th Hvy. Bty. 0 24th Hvy. Bty. 3 Rankin, Marshall, Greig.
International... 3 Fernandes, Wilkinson, Rocha.	R.A.M.C. 1 Pym.
South China... 1 Lee Ping-chui.	Service Corps 4 Glen, Young and Martin (2).
Royal Scots... 5 Holden (3), and Bailey (2).	Signals 1 Moore (own goal).

SECOND DIVISION "A"

South China... 2 Chan Wai-lan, Lan Chung-sang.	Eastern 1 Chung Kam-chuen.
5th A.A. Regt. 4 McCamley, McEwen, Magonna, Craven.	R.A.O.C. 2 Emmerson (pen.), Munton.
Royal Scots... 2 Fraser and Wil- lamson.	Police 1 Kong Hing.

fast shot outside the penalty area.

A few minutes before time Lee Wai-tong scored with a fast drive also outside the penalty area.

United Services.—Drake (Middlesex); Lawton (5th R.A.) and Sheehan (Middlesex); Rides (Ordnance), Bright (Middlesex) and Wilkinson (Middlesex); Munro (Royal Scots), Gordon (Royal Scots), Hossack (Royal Scots), Thorburn (Royal Navy) and Middleton (Royal Navy).

Rest of the Colony.—Cheung Wing-choi (S. China "A"); Blackburn (Police) and Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Leung Wing-chui (S. China

"A"), Williamson (Kowloon) and Hsu King-seng (Eastern); Fowler (Club), Fung King-cheong (S. China "A"), Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A"), A. V. Gosano (St. Joseph's) and Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

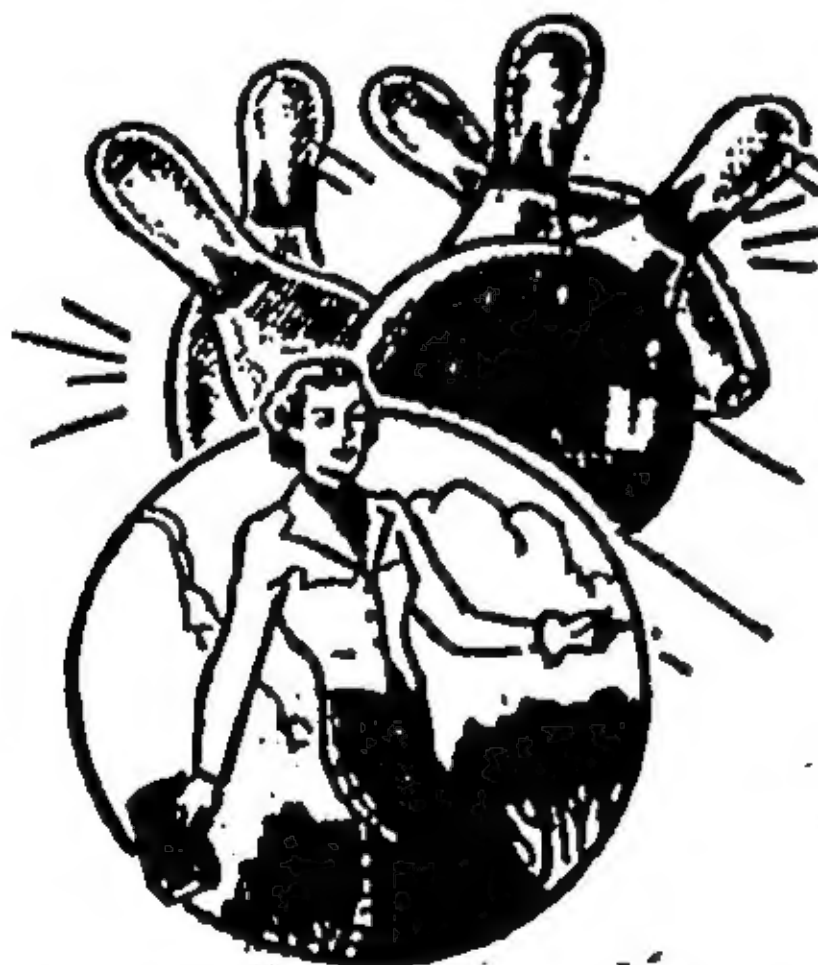
SCHOOLBOYS' MATCH

The Mainland Schools beat the Island schools by the odd goal in five. Ng Sui-lap and Castilho scored for the Island who were leading at the interval by two goals and Mathias (2) and Leung Taw-tak (Own goal) scored for the Mainland.

GRIPS

By BEST BALL

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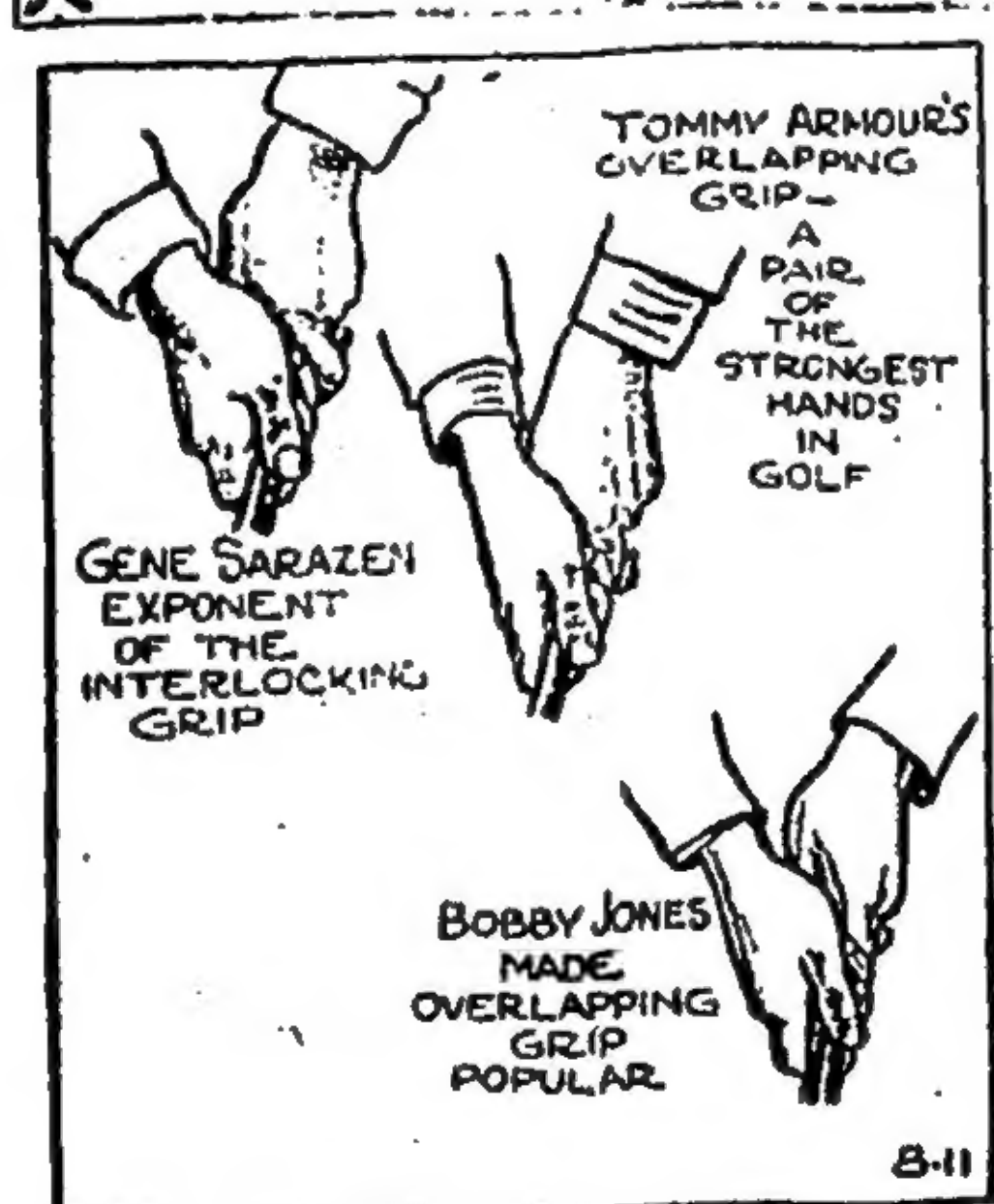
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finger grip, that is firm but by no means tense. Gene Sarazen strengthened his hands by various means, including a thirty ounce driver which he practiced with diligently. Armour, wounded in the war, was forced by circumstance to make up this physical disability by strong hands. How well he succeeded in developing them is shown in his grip above, one of the most powerful in golf. Bobby Jones' grip is the result of a natural evolution, for Jones started to play golf when he was around five years of age. As a result his grip developed with his swing and the combination culminated in a Grand Slam year in 1930.

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which all the Services' scores resulted. Taylor was well marked in the lineouts, although the ball was not sent to him as often as usual.

Douglas Taylor was tried at full-back and with a little more practice at touch kicking should very soon be a first class player in that position. On Saturday he never attempted to come up field with the ball and set his three-quarters in motion, as Stevens often did, which would have improved his display even more.

If Club and Police are able to turn out the following team they will go

JOCKEY CLUB'S GESTURE

THE BRITISH WAR Organisation Fund and the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China will jointly benefit from the proceeds of the Jockey Club's special \$1 cash sweep on the 1941 Hong Kong Derby, to be run on February 19 next.

very near beating Services: Wall; Stewart, Bidwell, Fay and Taylor; Cessford and Henderson; Walkden, Salter and Searle; Needham and Peers; Taylor, Dempsey and Godfrey.

Services have the more powerful back division, but they have to get the ball back to them before they can operate.

The outstanding features of the "A" game were Pascoe's brilliant tackling and Kay's enterprise.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 12 o'clock NOON.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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ALLIED SUCCESS IN BALKANS

NEW PACT BELIEVED TO BE NEAR CONCLUSION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

THE CONSTITUTION of a new Balkan bloc, comprising Turkey, Greece, Yugo-Slavia, Rumania, Bulgaria and Hungary, is considered almost an accomplished fact and an important, though indirect, diplomatic victory for Britain and France. The bloc considerably reinforces the value of the Ankara Pact by ensuring the stability of the Balkans and the eastern Mediterranean.

Main points of the new understanding apparently are:

All the countries concerned will drop for the time being their territorial claims against other members of the bloc, and All the signatories will withdraw their troops from common frontiers.

BULGARIAN HITCH?

However, well-informed quarters consider that full agreement has not yet been reached, and Bulgaria's claim against Greece for access to the Mediterranean might prove a hitch.

It is pointed out that Italy, which previously ardently supported the formation of a Balkan bloc, is now taking a wait and see attitude. — Havas.

WOMAN TWICE TRIES TO TAKE LIFE

WHEN UNDER POLICE ESCORT FROM HONG KONG TO KOWLOON, THE OTHER DAY SO YING, 29, MARRIED WOMAN, ALLEGED THIEF, JUMPED INTO THE HARBOUR.

She was rescued and taken to hospital, and there made another attempt to end her life by covering her head with a blanket and choking herself with cloth around her neck.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. E. Himsforth, she was charged with theft from a co-tenant.

Inspector Rogers said the property

was recovered from the house of So's sister.

Mr. Himsforth decided to place her on a \$50 bond to be of good behaviour for one year and ordered her sister to take care of her.

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The "China Mail" learned this afternoon that a ransom of \$2,000 has been demanded by bandits who kidnapped Mr. Tseng Ping, well-known local fish merchant, who was kidnapped two months ago.

Mr. Tseng left Hong Kong in September to visit a branch office at Namtau where one of the fishing fleets was anchored, but disappeared after disembarking.

It was then believed that he had been kidnapped. No demand for ransom was, however, made until a few days ago when bandits communicated with Tseng's relatives asking for \$2,000.

London, To-day.

Britons who had been warned to leave Holland formed the bulk of 80 passengers landed at Gravesend from Rotterdam. They included mothers with their babies. — Reuter.

New York, To-day.

The "New York Herald Tribune" says that the American people do not want to go to war, but if they see Holland and Belgium annihilated they will realise what is not yet really understood — that the world is facing an incarnation of ruthlessness and that the American people cannot remain indifferent to the outcome of such a struggle. — Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

The British Ambassador, Sir Robert Craigie, had an hour's interview with the Foreign Minister this morning.

Among other things, Sir Robert informed Admiral Nomura of the forthcoming reduction in the British forces in North China. — Reuter.

The mysterious poisoning of a three-year-old Chinese child was revealed to-day when the post mortem resulted in a finding of "Opium poisoning."

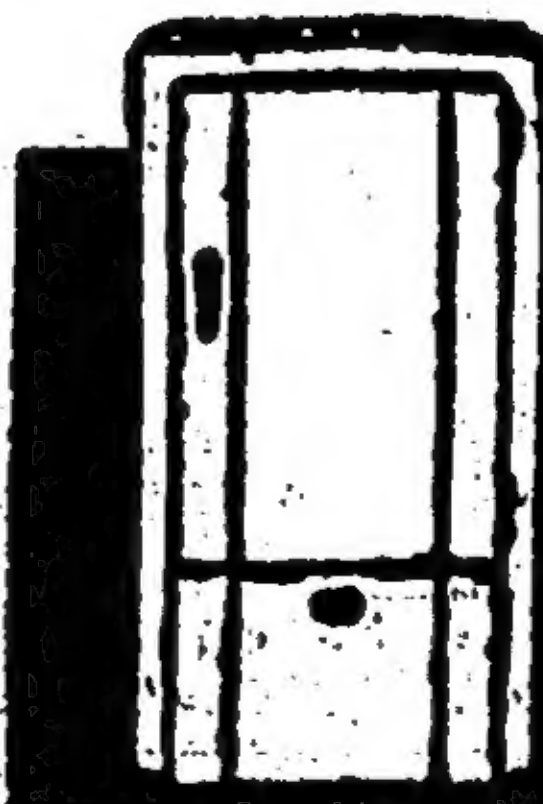
The child belonged to residents at No. 77, Austin Road, Kowloon, and was ill several days. It was attended by a Chinese doctor but suddenly died at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary and a post mortem revealed that death was due to opium poisoning.

The police are investigating.

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